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## A YEAR'S RESPITE. CANTON'S FINANCIAL FREEDOM. PROMISING OUTLOOK.

Marshal Li's Splendid Efforts at Peking.

CONSOLIDATING POSITION OF CANTON.

[From Our Political Correspondent.]

From evidence thus far available, it appears (as indicated by Reuter) that Canton will succeed in obtaining financial independence from Nanking for a year.

If such be the case, Marshal Li Chai-sum will have achieved something material for his Government in Kwangtung, as the result of his present sojourn in the North. Hankow also put forward a similar demand and the inference, therefore, is that the combined effort of Marshal Li and his colleagues in the Kwangsi faction was sufficiently strong to impress the Nationalist Central Government at Nanking and the leaders in Peking.

Information revealed in political circles, however, points to other steps having been taken by Marshal Li in consolidating his position in South China and thereby ensuring the peace of Canton.

## POLITICAL INFORMATION.

The impression gained at first was that Marshal Li was hurrying to Peking to offer concessions to Nanking in return for the grant of further immunity for Canton from being involved in issues emanating from Nanking.

A former Canton official, now in Hong Kong awaiting passage to Shanghai, expresses the view that the duration of Marshal Li's absence from Canton will be a retaining the control of Canton in his own men's hands.

Being snugly close together usually breeds an unhealthy atmosphere for Generals, the latest example of his being the pressure brought to bear by two of the Kwangsi group Big Four at Hankow on General Cheng Chien and his notorious 6th Army.

Actually exercising control in Canton at the moment are General Chan Chai-tong (4th Army), General Chui King-tong (5th Army) and General Tang Shih-tsang (City Defence Commissioner and Chief of Police)—all Marshal Li Chai-sum's immediate partisans who have worked closely and harmoniously for some time.

The civil administration is under the Canton branch of the Nationalist Political Council. Two of the members of this reconstituted council have gone. They are General Wu Te-chen (without portfolio) who is in Shanghai; and Mr. L. C. Lee (former head of the now suppressed Bureau of Industry), who was appointed to replace General Wu Te-chen and who is in the seclusion of his native village.

The principal figure in the civil government is Mr. Chu Ka-wah, the Vice-Chancellor of Chungshan University and a member of the council, who is also acting as Chancellor in the absence of Mr. Tai Kwei-to, who accompanied Marshal Li on his mission. Mr. Chu is acknowledged to be a stout partisan of Marshal Li.

Rumours have been current that there may be changes in the municipal, civil and judicial departments, with an ultimate comb-out to strengthen the control of Marshal Li. The influence of the measure of success (or failure) of his conference with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, the spokesman of Nanking.

It will be recalled that Marshal Li's rather sudden departure from Canton gave rise to speculation among his supporters, and the crop of mild rumours which usually accompanies such a journey. Speculation, yes—but not anxiety nor uneasiness. There were matters, some urgent, which required his attention in Canton. These, of course, had to be postponed or settled by his subordinates.

COULD NOT WAIT.

Marshal Li could not wait for the inaugural of the reorganised Provincial Government. General Wong Shiu-hung, head of the Kwangsi Government and, like Marshal Li, one of the Big Four of the Kwangsi Group, did not come to Canton to be his military deputy. General Chan Ming-shu, commander of the southern military area of Kwangtung, is staying away although he is ruler pro tem.

Here is a sign of Marshal Li's masterly policy of steady consolidation, while nominally handing over the power to Generals with big commands yet



General Chan Ming-shu, commander of the southern military area of Kwangtung, who has not gone to Canton but is military administrator in name.

of the "moderate" Nationalist politicians, Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr. Hu Han-min, Mr. Sun Fo and others, is waning; although their

## THAT "PACT" ONCE MORE.

IMPATIENT M.P.'S.

MORE HECKLING OF SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN.

DUBLIN'S DECISION.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons, in reply to questions, Sir Austen Chamberlain said the replies had not been received from all the Dominions' governments with regard to the latest United States proposals for a treaty of Outlawing War.

The communications of His Majesty's Government with the Dominions hereabout were made by cable. He (Sir Austen) hoped to be in a position to hand in our reply to the American Charge d'Affaires on July 18. Doubtless the replies of the Governments of the Dominions and India would be published by those Governments in due course.

Sir A. Chamberlain, later, when asked why the French and German Governments had been able to make up their minds on this very important matter earlier than His Majesty's Government, said that His Majesty's Government have made up their mind but it was necessary to communicate with the Dominions before replying.

Irish Free State Accepts.

Dublin, Yesterday.

The Free State Government, in a Note to the United States' Minister at Dublin, unreservedly accepts Mr. Kellogg's treaty.

Paris, Yesterday.

The text of the French reply to Mr. Kellogg's proposals on the Outlawing of War is published. It is stated that France is happy to see that the proposed treaty accords with her obligations under existing treaties to which she is compelled to adhere loyally. Therefore, she is quite prepared to sign forthwith the proposed treaty, though she points out that the proposal that the signatories to the Treaty of Locarno should sign Neutrality Treaties which would be open to other States, gives the proposed pact wider scope than fits in entirely with French views.

France expresses gratification as to the explanations appended to the American proposals whereby the American Government recognises the French contention that the Treaty in no way restricts or compromises the right of self-defence of any nation against attack or against invasion, each nation being the sole judge of whether the circumstances warrant recourse to defensive warfare.—Reuter.

## MILL RIOT.

WORKERS & POLICE CLASH NEAR CALCUTTA.

Calcutta, Yesterday.

Twenty-three millhands were injured, four arrested and a number of police hurt as the result of rioting at Fort Gloster Jute mills, 20 miles from Calcutta, owing to the alleged dismissal of four millhands.

Men rushed the office and hurled missiles. The police were summoned and eventually fired.—Reuter.

nominees occupied responsible positions a little while ago.

GOOD FOR TRADE.

The ripple of Marshal Li's campaign against the Communists has struck a blow at the elements which, though strictly anti-red, were not of Marshal Li's own group.

Discussion of alleged motives is best left to those who have the inclination for it. The practical result is that the hands of the present regime are strengthened. Such strengthening begets confidence. Confidence is good for trade.

## MISSION RETURNS TO MUKDEN.

CHANGE THE FLAG?

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S REQUEST TO MANCHURIA.

FIRST STEP TOWARDS PEACE

Nanking, Yesterday.

It is understood that the Manchurian peace delegates have returned to Mukden from Peking, carrying with them Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's request to the Manchurian leaders to haul down the old "Republican" five-barred flag and hoist instead the Nationalist (blue sky, white sun) standard.

In view of the above report, Nanking sources expect the Nationalist flag to be flying in Manchuria before July 31 (as the first step towards harmony between Manchuria and the Nationalists).—Reuter.

## JAPAN'S VIEWS.

Refutation of Expiry of Treaty.

Osaka, Yesterday.

The Chamber of Commerce and other influential organisations of

## FINE TO CLOUDY.

East or variable winds moderate, fine to cloudy is the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The Northern depression is central to the North of Japan. A depression remains over Tongking.

Osaka, Kobe, Nagoya and Kyoto

held a conference here to-day and passed a resolution refusing to accept the interpretation (broadcast by the Chinese Nationalists) that the China-Japan Treaty of Commerce expires on July 20 and insisting that the Treaty is still in force, vide article 26.

The resolution says that if the Nationalists propose revision of the Treaty, Japan will be willing to negotiate but abolition of extraterritoriality and tariff autonomy must be consummated by easy stages; in view of the fact that the safety of foreign life and property and the protection of foreign enterprises and international trade are not yet ensured.—Reuter.

## EXPEDITION WITHDRAWING.

Tsingtao, Yesterday.

This morning, 5,700 troops and 1,600 horses belonging to the Japanese Expeditionary Force for Shantung were evacuated, returning to Japan as outlined some time ago in Tokyo when the view that the situation had improved was expressed.—Reuter.

## CHANG TSO-LIN'S FORTUNE.

Mukden, July 4.

Chang Tso-lin's funeral is to take place on August 8, after five weeks of mourning. The funeral committee comprises amongst others Military Commander Chang Tso-hsiang of Kirin, President, ex-Civil Governor Wang Shu-shen of Kirin, General Manager, Messrs. Yuan Chu-kai, Chang Hsien-tang and others as councillors.

General Chang Hsueh-liang has given \$9,000,000, out of his father's property, towards the advancement of educational institutions in Fengtien province, viz., \$5,000,000 to Chinese primary schools, \$2,500,000 to the Tung-tze Middle School and Girls' High School formerly established by the donor himself, and \$1,500,000 to the Tung-tze Club.

## HONAN MISSIONS.

Peking, Yesterday.

Canadian missionaries, who recently went to Honan to investigate the state of their property, have returned.

Interviewed by Reuter, they declare that all reports of looting are true. Hospitals, schools, and residences have been looted of everything of value, and more than one residence has been burned.

In some cases fires were lighted on the wooden floors and holes have been burned through.

Chinese and foreign books have been wantonly trampled or torn up. While the missionaries were there, one or two buildings which previously had escaped were broken into and looted, and during their stay a prominent officer living in a foreign house threw

## BRITAIN AND DRUGS' TRAFFIC.

GOOD WORK DONE.

REPORT SENT TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

REFERENCE TO SEIZURES.

London, Yesterday.

The British Government's annual report to the League of Nations with regard to the traffic in opium and other dangerous drugs in 1927, shows that no information had been received that any firm in Great Britain had been engaged in smuggling drugs and that no seizures of drugs of British manufacture were reported during the year.

In addition to drug seizures made in Great Britain many seizures were reported from India, Rangoon, Singapore and Hong Kong and the British Government had communicated the information thereabout and other information with regard to illicit traffic to the League and also to any Governments whose territories appeared to be concerned in any illicit transaction discovered. Much valuable information had also been received from other Governments under arrangements of a direct interchange.

The report mentions that two important seizures of cocaine had already been made in London this year; firstly, cocaine of Japanese manufacture smuggled in by a Lascar on a vessel from the Far East; secondly, cocaine of German manufacture exported from Germany to a firm in Lithuania from whence it was smuggled by a Lithuanian residing in London.—Reuter.

the piano into the yard, rendering it useless.

## GRAVES DESECRATED.

The graves of missionaries and children and other foreigners at Changte have been desecrated.

Much of the looting occurred during the last six months. The missionaries state that the troops responsible belong to the 20th and 30th army corps of the 1st Kuominchun (the "Christian General's" Army). The Kuominchun recently occupied the American Presbyterian premises at Shungh.

A strange fact in connection with the above is that while the "Christian General's" soldiers were guilty of the outrages, the "Christian General," during a revisit to Paoingfu, gave \$2,000 to the American mission there.—Reuter.

## GOVERNOR MURDERED.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The "Sin Wan Pao" states that the Nationalist Government has received a telegram from Sinkiang announcing that General Yang Tseng-hsin, the military governor of Sinkiang, when giving away the prizes at the Russian Language School on July 7, was shot down by soldiers, on the orders of Van Yao-nan, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

The assassins were arrested. The gentry have elected King Sz-zung, the Civil Governor, as acting military governor.

It is understood that Ma Fushiang, who was recently appointed as military governor of Sinkiang, is at present on his way to Sinkiang.

The Kuo Min news agency, confirming the "Sin Wan Pao" report, adds that Van Yao-nan, twenty of his bodyguards were executed on July 9 by orders of King Sz-zung.—Reuter.

## CHANGING PEKING.

Peking, Yesterday.

Not content with changing the name of Peking, the Nationalists are planning to change all street names having a monarchist flavour, such as Prince Wang-street, and have already commenced painting the red walls of the Imperial Palace with Nationalist blue. They also intend to remove the Yellow tiles, thus destroying the picturesque appearance of the ancient capital.—Reuter.

## STILL BENT ON WAR.

Peking, Yesterday.

The Nationalist militarists have decided that General Pei Chung-hsi shall suppress the Northern Army remnants between Luanchow and Shanhai-kwan, and General Fang Chen-wu those in the Jehol area.—Reuter.

## HYDE PARK "ECHO" AGAIN.

THE "BOBBIES."

"NO JUSTIFICATION FOR PERJURY."

COMMONS' STATEMENT.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons during question time Sir Wm. Joynson Hicks stated that the Director of Public Prosecutions, (Sir A. Bodkin) had advised that he (Sir William) had agreed that perjury proceedings against the two policemen who arrested Sir Leo Money and Miss Savidge would not be justified; and that therefore no question as to a disciplinary inquiry arose.

Sir Wm. Joynson Hicks informed the commissioner (Sir Wm. Horwood) that in his opinion the action of these officers in the Savidge case should not be regarded as in any way reflecting to their discredit.—Reuter.

## ALLEGED FRAUDS.

THE CHARGES AGAINST FOK CHUNG-YUEN.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The hearing was begun, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, of this case in which Fok Chung-yuen is charged with alleged fraud on three counts as follows:—(1) forging on February 22, 1921, a deed of assignment purported to have been executed by Fok Kam-shuen (prisoner's father), in favour of Messrs. Thomas W. Simmons and Co., (2) uttering the forged deed knowing it to be forged; and (3) conspiring with his brother, Fok Tai-fai, to defraud Fok Kam-shuen and the Bank of Canton by means of the forged document, between January 1 and May 31, 1921.

The prisoner also had to face two other charges relating to alleged attempt to defraud the banking department of Messrs. Wing On & Co., Ltd., of \$50,000, but these will be proceeded with separately.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson) appeared for the prosecution on the charges relating to the Bank of Canton only; whilst the prisoner was defended on all charges by Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara. Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson was also present in Court and informed the Magistrate that he appeared to watch for "an interested party."

Before proceeding with the outline of the case, Mr. Jenkin told the Magistrate that he had been asked by Mr. T. Murphy, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence to mention that there was a further charge against the prisoner of jumping his bail in connection with the two charges relating to earlier proceedings against prisoner, with which Counsel was not concerned. He (Counsel) merely wanted to know if that charge was to stand over with the others.

Mr. Lindsell was understood to remark that the "jumping of bail" by the prisoner was met by the detaining of the bail, and now that he had been re-arrested, it merely meant reviving the former charges against him.

Mr. Jenkin replied that he was not interested in the matter personally, and doubtless Mr. Murphy would give careful consideration to the matter.

Proceeding to outline the case against the prisoner on the first three charges of the indictment, Mr. Jenkin said that in the main the charges concerned a deed of assignment made in February 1921 which Counsel said would be referred to by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

Counsel said that he would hand in the document at the start so that his Worship could immediately appreciate the nature of the charges against the prisoner.

## FATHER AND SON.

Proceeding, Mr. Jenkin said that the prisoner was the second son of Mr. Fok Kam-chuen who had been a local merchant for many years trading under the name of Fook Lee, hardward merchants. In 1916, owing to advanced age, the father handed over his business to the prisoner to manage by a power of attorney. The father, Counsel said, with the profits from the Fook Lee firm, acquired leasehold property in the Colony, and owned six lots of such property, a list of which Counsel handed in.

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COMMONS' QUERIES.

SUGGESTION TO UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES.

BOXER FUNDS?

London, Yesterday.

The attention of the House of Commons was, at question time, drawn to the impecuniosity of the University of Hong Kong.

Mr. Locker Lampson (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) replied that the University authorities should submit their claim for a grant under the China Indemnity Act 1925, for the consideration of the Board of Trustees, as soon as the Board is established.

Mr. J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Con. Member for Kidderminster Div. of Worcestershire) asked when there was likelihood of this Commission being appointed.

Mr. Lampson replied that it would be very difficult to spend any of this money in the present conditions of China.—Reuter.

## BANANA DISDAINED.

"JACKO" WHO PREFERRED A LICHEE.

HIS PURSUERS DEFIED.

Called "Jacko" for convenience, a little Chinese monkey which escaped from captivity this morning climbed a tree in Queen's-road Central and shouted defiance at his pursuers.

A very young member of his family—with his native "village" somewhere in the hills of Kiangsi province—the monkey had a short length of dinky chain dangling from his leather collar. The chain gave him away as one who had broken prison.

The tree in which he sought sanctuary is that opposite the Military Police barracks, between the Royal Engineers and the turn in the tram-lines outside the Royal Army Service Corps. It is on the south side of the road, the first to be met on going down towards Wanchai.

Nearly Fell.

A crowd of Chinese assembled quickly when they saw Jacko up in the highest branches, shaking a small branch out of sheer joy and dropping the leaves on pedestrians on the pavement.

A banana was produced. Down Jacko bounded. He made a grab for the banana which was held fast in the man's hand. Up he went again on finding that he was being cheated, but his foot caught in the chain hanging from his neck and he nearly lost his balance to fall thirty feet to the roadside.

Having recovered his balance and equanimity, Jacko began to shake branches again, still gleefully, but with an eye watching the Tommies in barracks across the road.

## Showed His Teeth.

A lichee was shown him. Down he pounced again and, with a short, sharp tug, had the tasty fruit in his hand. Up to top again, he started peeling the skin of the lichee and then took his time eating it.

When somebody poked at his seat with a long bamboo pole, he dropped the lichee so as to be able to use one hand for climbing to safety and the other for holding up his chain so that it should not trip him.

Then he showed his teeth to the man with the bamboo pole! "Jacko" was still at large when the crowd was dispersed by a constable.

list, Counsel said, included the Kum On godowns at No. 13, Hill-street and No. 80, Square-street, and the deeds relating to these were entrusted to the prisoner for safe custody. Deeds No. 4, 5 and 6 relating to properties in Hillyer-street, were mortgaged to the Asia Banking Corporation.

In 1919, Counsel continued, the prisoner and a brother named Fook Tai-fai, Mr. Fok Kam-chuen's third son, embarked together in the import and export trade as Fook Lee and Co., with offices in York-building, the original Fook Lee firm founded by the father being still in existence in Hillyer-street. The only partners in Fook Lee and Co. were these two sons of Fook Kam-chuen.

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18	5.49	7.10
19	5.49	7.10
20	5.50	7.09
21	5.50	7.09
22	5.50	7.08
23	5.51	7.08
24	5.51	7.07
25	5.51	7.07
26	5.52	7.06
27	5.53	7.06
28	5.53	7.05
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### JAPANESE HONOUR.

EPISODE OF SEVERED FINGER:  
TALE OF DISINHERITED.

### DRASTIC DEMANDS.

It is over a hundred years since  
Edmund Burke, in his day the chief  
mourner for times past, movingly  
declared: "It is gone, that sensibility  
of principle, that chastity of  
honour, which felt a stain like a  
wound." But of course, it has  
not gone. Ideas of honour may  
change, methods of maintaining it  
may change, but not the sensitiv-  
ness that feels a stain like a wound,  
nor the will to remove that stain.  
This is sometimes proved from  
the most unexpected quarters and  
in the most astonishing way, the  
"Manchester Guardian" learns from  
a correspondent in Japan.

"We of the West have long been  
accustomed to the idea that the  
Japanese are so peculiar as almost  
to be called unique in their sensitiv-  
ness to a stain on their loyalty  
to country, emperor, or lord. The  
length to which they will go to con-  
vince themselves, even when others  
need no further convincing, that  
they are loyal to the uttermost has  
won the amazement and sometimes  
the reverence of the West. There  
is the famous instance of the great  
Japanese sailor, Admiral Nogi, who,  
with his wife felt that it would be  
a stain on their loyalty to the Em-  
peror Meiji to suffer him to begin  
his new life beyond the veil without  
the service to which he was  
accustomed. So these twin com-  
mitted suicide in order to ensure  
him their service at least.

There is, too, the case of the  
young lieutenant, named Ohara,  
who arrived at the conviction that  
Japan must take strong measures  
against Russian encroachment. He  
set forth his opinions in writing,  
and then, fearing that his sincerity  
might be questioned, sealed his  
opinions by killing himself in front  
of his ancestors' graves. Not only  
the men but the women also of this  
country have often felt that death  
must be endured in order that there  
might be no stain on their devo-  
tion. Therefore more than one  
soldier's wife, for example, has fol-  
lowed her husband's death on the  
battlefield by her own.

This sensitiveness, however, be-  
longs to no particular class among  
the Japanese, nor to any particular  
loyalty, and is as much in evidence  
to-day as ever. In common with all  
the world, the Japanese are ready,  
only more so, to wipe away any  
stain on their honour as lovers by  
death. But the three following in-  
stances, happening within a week  
or so of each other, are, in all like-  
hood, typically more Japanese.

### THE SEVERED FINGER.

The first one is rather gruesome-  
ly comic. Prince Iesato Tokugawa,  
president of the House of Peers,  
received an amazing letter. That  
an unknown man, a painter by  
trade, should write and ask badly  
for a loan of 3,500 yen (£350) to  
start him in business and be repaid  
in fifteen years was strange enough  
to begin with. Yet there was this  
justification, at any rate, that this  
man was of Samurai descent, whose  
ancestors had been loyal warriors  
under the ancestors of the Prince,  
the great Tokugawa Shoguns. But  
there was a small parcel accom-  
panying the letter, wrapped up in  
hoshio, a kind of paper used only  
on great ceremonial occasions,  
which, when opened, was found to  
contain the applicant's own finger,  
freshly amputated. The man,  
fearing lest his honour be ques-  
tioned, had taken this strange way  
to maintain it. Subsequent in-  
quiries proved the complete  
genuineness of the case. Whether  
the man got his loan is not stated,  
but he certainly proved most con-  
vincingly that the old Samurai  
willingness to suffer in the cause  
of honour had not been extinguish-  
ed even by the ups and downs of  
a business career.

In still humbler ranks of society  
is the hero of the following pathetic  
tragedy. The watchman on  
duty at the gates of a dangerous  
level crossing in the neighbourhood  
of Tokyo was guilty of a serious  
error of judgment that cost two  
lives. Instead of closing the gates  
he allowed a motor-car with two  
occupants to pass over the crossing  
just in time to be caught and  
utterly shattered by a passing train.  
No great blame was laid on the man  
for there were several mitigat-  
ing circumstances. But the watch-  
man blamed himself. Arraigning  
himself before the stern bar of his  
own sensitive conscience, he ar-  
rived at the verdict of guilty. It  
was his act that had led these two  
people, relying on his judgment, to  
their death, and, in his own sight,  
he was a murderer. A philosopher  
like Hegel might be capable of say-  
ing that a true man welcomes  
punishment, but this old Japanese  
watchman proved the truth of this  
by his deeds. By way of expiation  
he lay down on the railway tracks  
and allowed the same train to pass  
over his body that had killed the  
two victims of his carelessness.

### THE DISINHERITED SON.

The last incident is fortunately  
less tragic, but probably more in-  
teresting, because it shows us the  
parable of the Prodigal Son carried  
to its logical end. It also takes us  
much higher in the social scale.  
A few days ago a well-known  
financier and former director of one  
of the leading Tokyo trading com-  
panies appeared before the Tokyo  
District Court with an application  
for the disinheritance of his son.

According to Japanese law a son  
inevitably inherits his father's prop-  
erty, unless a definite legal pro-  
vision, such as this, has been made.  
The father in this case made it  
quite clear that it was contrary to  
his own wish to disinherit his son,  
but that the son himself had com-  
pelled him to do it. The circum-  
stances are surely peculiar.  
The son had been a hard-working  
student in the Economics Depart-  
ment of Keio University until, a  
year ago he fell a victim to the  
allure of wine and women in the  
form of sake and Gelsa, which,  
when a Japanese youth once sur-  
renders to them, work on him with  
a peculiarly devastating effect. The  
lad had indulged in quite as riotous  
a spell of living as the  
Prodigal of old. There was no end  
to his debauchery until, having ex-  
hausted every yen of his money, he  
found himself utterly abandoned  
by his companions in vice. As in  
the old parable, poverty and hunger  
compelled him to return home,  
where his family were ready to  
welcome and forgive. But he  
would not allow his father to kill  
any fatted calf. Rather did he  
refuse even the sackcloth of re-  
pentance and the bread (or, rather,  
rice) of affliction, except on  
terms that would satisfy his con-  
science. He was, in very truth, no  
more worthy to be called a son,  
and therefore his father must dis-  
inherit him.

So the father, with tears, disin-  
herits his son, who has now gone  
to work as "a hired servant" in a  
cycle shop at Kobe.  
More Japanese!

A Montreal newspaper prints an  
advertisement offering for sale a  
foreign hereditary title at the price  
of \$10,000. The advertiser claims  
that he has hereditary rights to a  
Polish title and needs money in  
order to support his wife and  
daughter who are now in Paris.

### "WINNIE" AND WAR.

THE LEGION'S  
WORK.

### "NEVER AGAIN."

Miss Diana Churchill, the eld-  
est daughter of the Chancellor of  
the Exchequer, laid the founda-  
tion-stone of a British Legion  
Club at Westerham, Kent, recent-  
ly. Mr. and Mrs. Churchill,  
whose country home is at Wester-  
ham, were present with their  
youngest daughter Mary.

Mr. Churchill, who, like the  
other legionaries present, wore  
decorations, spoke on the work of  
the British Legion. It consisted  
he said, in preserving the com-  
radeship of the war as a fertile  
means of promoting the higher  
form of social comradeship and  
intercourse in the long years of  
peace.

He asked the legionaries, while  
fighting their battles over again  
in the new club-house, to remem-  
ber how ghastly was the injury  
done to civilisation by the war,  
and how long and toilsome would  
be the process by which the waste  
and havoc of those years would  
have to be repaired.

"And when you dwell on the  
deeds that have been done, cele-  
brate the triumphs which have  
been gained, and the deeds of  
providence which adorn our annals,  
I trust you will continually re-  
solve that nothing like what hap-  
pened in 1914 must ever darken  
and sear the world again."

It was one of those houses which  
seem to spring up overnight. The  
landlord had called to collect the  
rent, only to be met by an irate  
tenant demanding a new front door.  
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you mean?" the landlord gasped,  
equally indignant. "Why man, it's  
a new house, and you've only been  
in it a week."

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door knob—a cat went by—and now  
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Mr. G. Wright, chief officer, "Talkoo Wanyl," has gone chief officer, "Chinhua."

Mr. B. C. Finch, chief officer, "Chinhua," has gone chief officer, "Ichang."

Mr. J. S. Turnbull, chief officer, "Ngankin," has gone chief officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. W. Christie, chief officer, "Hsin Peking," has gone chief officer, "Ngankin."

Mr. V. A. Ginter, second officer, "Wenchow," has gone second officer, "Ngankin."

Mr. D. Needham, second officer, "Ngankin," has gone second officer, "Nanchang."

Mr. W. J. Jones, has been appointed second officer, "Chungking."

Mr. S. de Candia has been appointed second officer, "Sinkiang." Captain J. S. C. Brown, of the "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. S. C. Smith, chief officer, "Chungking," has gone master, same ship.

Mr. L. Cook, second officer, "Sinkiang," has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. T. E. Rees, second officer, "Taming," has gone second officer, "Ninghai."

Mr. W. Hood, second officer, "Ninghai," has gone second officer, "Taming."

Mr. R. H. MacLean, second engineer officer, "Ninghai," is on reserve.

Mr. J. C. Campbell, third engineer officer, "Whangpu," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Ninghai."

Mr. D. B. Kerr, third engineer officer, "Ninghai," has gone third engineer officer, "Poyang."

Mr. D. G. Evans, from Home, has been appointed acting third engineer officer, "Ninghai."

Mr. J. W. Ridley, second engineer officer, "Chusan," has gone second engineer officer, "Whangpu."

Mr. L. D. Johnson, third engineer officer, "Luchow," is on reserve.

Mr. D. Ruxton, third engineer officer, "Kinyuan," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Kwangse."

Mr. L. St. J. Rail, from reserve, has gone acting second engineer officer, "Kinyuan."

Mr. H. Urwin, second engineer officer, "Kwangse," is on reserve.

Mr. G. J. Hatch, from Home, has been appointed acting third engineer officer, "Kwangse."

Mr. F. M. Ode, second officer, "Mausang," has gone acting officer, "Hinsang."

Mr. W. T. Rochester, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kwangse."

Mr. G. H. Knight, supply second officer, "Luenho," has gone supply second officer, "Tingsang."

Mr. J. Shiel, second officer, "Tingsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Owens has been appointed supply second officer, "Yuensang."

Mr. C. R. Harris, second officer, "Yuensang," is on reserve.

Mr. D. W. Pollock, third engineer officer, "Luenho," has gone third engineer officer, "Suiwo."

Mr. J. McLeod, third engineer officer, "Suiwo," has gone acting second engineer officer, same ship.

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The oar, made for paddling, was found deep down in a moor in Dalecarlia, "the heart of Sweden," and was sent to the Historical Museum, where an expert fixed its age at 5,000 years by means of a new method, called the "pollen" test. This test consists in examining a piece of the soil where the object has been found and where pollen abounds.

The geologists have drawn up immigration maps for various plants, fixing the age of their existence in Sweden. On this special occasion they found no pine pollen in the soil examined, and, knowing that the pine entered Dalecarlia some time after 3,000 B.C., they accordingly dated the oar as belonging to an earlier period.

This "pollen analysis," discovered by the late Swedish botanist, Lagerheim, and perfected by another Swedish scientist, Von Post, is looked upon as quite a revolutionizing method of investigating finds from early geological periods.

The ancient ships were found on the western shore of Sweden in the province of Halland by two workmen while digging a ditch. The boats were made from good oak timber. They were 13 to 14 metres in length, 4 metres wide, and built on 19 ribs, nailed together by wooden pegs. In one of them was found a beautifully carved piece of amber.

The method of dating them consisted in estimating the continuous land elevation, a phenomenon peculiar to Sweden since the glacial period by which the land gains new ground from the sea by rising at the average rate of eight centimetres in a century. The old Viking ships are found 84 centimetres above the present sea-level and should consequently date from about 800, but as they were embedded in sea gravel, the boats must be dated further back, and most probably belong to 300-400 A.D.

The place, Galtaback, where the finds were made, seems to have been a lively seaport at that time, and it is now hoped that a whole flotilla of pre-Viking ships will be found in the district. One of the pre-Viking ships will be restored and brought to the Gothenburg Historical Museum.

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The Diesel engine conversion programme which the United States Shipping Board was authorised to carry out in 1924, has not fulfilled the expectations which were raised when the project was first mooted. It will certainly have one result, which perhaps was one of the reasons why it was hailed by the Shipping Board as a really progressive movement. It will prevent any of the ships so converted ever passing out of the hands of the Government except as scrap—unless, indeed, the law under which the conversion is authorised should be changed. For that law says that none of the converted ships shall be sold for five years after conversion, and then only when the price paid for them equals the cost of conversion, plus 10 per cent. per ton deadweight and less 5 per cent depreciation. In addition, the buyer must bind himself to keep the vessels on the register of the United States and run them in the foreign trade. Assuredly no one will want them at the cost thus indicated, so that they will remain under the control of the Shipping Board for a considerable time yet. It is on a par with other moves of the Shipping Board directed towards detaining their present authority in the maritime affairs of the States. The price at which these converted ships may be sold will work out at a higher figure than similar vessels can be turned out quite new in a British shipyard. How, then, the Shipping Board ever expects such vessels to pay for themselves, is known only to themselves. But probably they don't expect anything of the kind.

A thousand tons of illicit opium were found on the s.s. "Chung Chow" when that vessel arrived from Wuchow on Sunday night. The drug was discovered in three successive raids. No arrest has been made.

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When Commander Burney reached Southampton in the White Star liner "Homer," from New York, following a lengthy discussion with prominent U.S. Government officials, he said, in reply to a question: "Southampton is, I feel sure, a very splendid terminal for any such project as the one in which I am interested, and I can tell you that I have already given considerable consideration to the advisability of making it the terminal of the Trans-Atlantic airship service on this side of the ocean. It is already famous as a passenger centre, and with its close proximity to London and its cross-Channel service would, I think prove ideal."

"It is impossible to announce anything definite at present, and I should hesitate to do so before I had actually acquired the land necessary for the purpose, but whatever may pass, Southampton's claim will not be forgotten."

**CRUISE TRAGEDY.**

Mrs. Eloise Cundrum (45), of California, was discovered dead in her cabin on board the Anchor liner "Caledonia." The "Caledonia" arrived in the Clyde after a four months' world cruise of 26,000 miles. Mrs. Cundrum was travelling as a first-class passenger. There were signs that from the position of a rope used by passengers to raise themselves from their bunks that death had been caused by strangulation.

The affair was reported to the Port Authorities, whose doctor went on board the "Caledonia." The body was embalmed and transferred to the Anchor liner "Transylvania."

**MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.**

The Ben Line s.s. "Benmore" from Leith, Middlebro, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines is due arrive here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia," Capt. A. J. Halley, R.N.R., will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama to-morrow at noon.

The P. &amp; O. s.s. "Rajputana" left Singapore for this port on July 15 at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on July 19 at about 6 a.m.

The s.s. "Tricolor" sailed from New York on June 6 and is due in Manila on July 19.

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How does he work? What are the tricks that elude the carefully-laid police net?

This article explains. It is written for the "Sunday Sun" by a man who has followed the craft workings of these gangs as an investigator for many years.

The cargo thief is older than the Missing Link and as skilful in avoiding discovery. When the earliest sun rose, blushing over a naked world, a cave man was stealing coconuts from a bark canoe. In Australia, a comparative handful of expert thieves wage skilful warfare on every waterfront. Overseas, shipowners, in a single port, spend more than £10,000 a year in the employment of special police and additional thousands for watchmen, tally clerks, &c. Yet the cargo bandit laughs at fines, evades the traps set for him, and cares nothing for the contempt of the great army of honest, hard-working watersiders.

One of the secrets of success is the spy system, by which every water policeman is watched, his hours of duty accurately known, and his approach signalled by a low whistle of warning. Thus the dice are loaded against a very fine body of men.

Pack of the system is a network of small receivers, who instantly dispose of stolen goods. Ten minutes start will render search fruitless. It is a remarkable tribute to the average Australian wharf, trucker, carter and coal-lumper, that he can preserve his sturdy integrity in the midst of such temptations. That this is true of nine out of ten is gladly admitted by police and shipping men alike.

The "jenny" of the cargo thief is the sharp cargo hook carried by all wharf labourers. In expert hands it can pick and wrench till cases splinter and boards break. Cleverly it can fish up silk stockings from tin-lined boxes which have been roughly ripped across. Its companion is a little home-made pocket-tool for prising up a board and deftly removing nails, enabling replacement without a trace. "Third" in usefulness is "dunnage," wood originally used in loading cargo. At the end of the voyage this is useless, because broken up, and it is tossed into heaps to await dumping or burning. The cargo thief often hides his booty under such a pile of broken wood, removing it next day, or when vigilance has relaxed. "Dunnage" is also invaluable for filling up a pillaged case so that the weight may remain approximately the same.

One cute trick, which went astray, was typical of the craft shown. It concerned an overseas steamer which called at Sydney, Brisbane and Adelaide. In that order. The cargo for each port was stored apart for easy handling. The criminal concerned decided to hide his rich pickings from Sydney cargo under a loose cover of the Adelaide imports. His theory was that when the steamer returned to Sydney from Brisbane on the way to Adelaide, it would be easy to slip on board and pick up the hidden goods. As the steamer would not be further worked in Sydney, there would be little or no vigilance. Unfortunately for the ingenious wharfie, a suspicious water policeman had realised the possibility of this riddle of the changes, and had laid a trap on the off-chance. The sequel is in the police records.

Private firm marks on cases are all known, and any cargo thief can tell to a nicety what is in a case and to whom it is consigned. Intentional changes of marks are made by importers, but very rarely is the criminal deceived. Favourite booty includes such articles as: spirits, silks, dress goods, hosiery, pipes, tobacco, sardines, Gruyere cheese (which is packed in little handy boxes), and all tinned and bottled food stuffs. At a recent small survey of pilfering, generally in higher freights and tides which suffered included dearer goods, there would be an wooden dress goods, silks, straw, French jam, pickles, sauces and declared Mr. George A. Parkes, president of Sydney's Chamber of Commerce, "Dead House" on it. This pillage committee in this part.

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cuphonous name is given to the locked apartment in a shed which is used to contain cargo that seems to have been tampered with. Silks are usually immediately removed to the "Dead House" for safety on the arrival of a steamer. A "survey" consists of a joint investigation of suspicious cases by all the parties concerned—except the author of the trouble.

It is an education in cargo lifting to attend such a survey. At the one mentioned above, interest centred on two big cases, holding respectively woollen dress goods and silk materials. Both had suffered. The case of silks (invoiced at £165) was banded with iron, and on the inside was covered with heavy lead or zinc, in which a hole had been ripped. Although the silk had been woven on to wooden spools, and these separately boxed and packed, yet a large part was missing. A curious discovery in this case was some of the stolen woollen goods from the other case, showing that the thieves had been disturbed—otherwise they would not have chosen such a hiding place! "Dunnage" had also been dumped in. Various signs convinced the surveyors that the job had been executed in France. Incidentally it was mentioned that the razor-like edges of cut zinc packing often gashed the hands of thieves, bloodstains resulting.

Liquor imported in casks, such as whisky and gin, is greatly appreciated by marauders, who display an ability equal to the reward. Iron hoops are shifted slightly and holes bored in the side of the cask—high up and low down. Billy cans are then filled, wooden plugs fitted into the holes, and the hoops neatly replaced. "Even the closest search may fail to show tampering. In one celebrated instance, the thirsty thief filled his can with gin and drank the full contents, with the result that a stomach pump had to be employed to save his life.

A BRISBANE CASE.

A remarkable case in Brisbane, which has a parallel in Sydney, was the emptying of a cask of spirits which stood in a locked shed on a wharf. There was absolutely no possibility of entrance to the shed, and the cask could be seen through the window by the watchman, an old and trusted man. Yet it was completely emptied between sunset and sunrise! A close search revealed the method. Having accurately ascertained the exact position of the cask on the floor of the shed, the thieves had rowed at night under the wharf, bored right through a plank into the cask and caught the spirit through the hole. Silks and stockings are hung over the shoulders, next to the skin, lying down the chest and back. With shirt, vest and coat in place it is possible to carry away hundreds of pounds worth with little fear of detection. Another method is to wind the silk or hose around the waist.

A few years ago the gateman of a Sydney wharf passed a carter through to a steamer. There was one case only on the lorry, and the fact was noted. Five minutes later the lorry passed out again without challenge as it had only the one case aboard. When that case had been brought in, an open side was resting on the lorry, perfectly concealed. But when it was taken out, a full case, slightly smaller, was inside it! The same trick is often employed by shoplifters. Gatemen, however, are now sharply alert, and there is little likelihood of a repetition.

PICKLES.

A consignment of pickles once figured in an amusing and unofficial turning of the tables. The cases of pickles were loaded on two lorries and duly despatched from the wharf. One driver, awaiting until there was a temporary halt and his friend was buying cigarettes, lifted a case of the other man's pickles on to his own lorry and drove off.

Number Two saw the first lorry disappearing and whipped up his horse to follow. To his amazement Number One turned into a side street, stopped in front of a small shop and carried a case inside. Instantly suspicious, the watcher looked at his own load, saw that he was a case short, jumped off, replaced it from the first lorry, and drove quietly away!

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"One fact stands out above all else in our investigation, and exactly the same fact is emphasised in British reports—that fines are worse than useless. The expert cargo thief can make enough to cover many fines, and, in most cases, a mistaken kindness among his mates leads to a 'tarpuin' muster,' which almost invariably pays the fine and leaves a handsome margin as a bonus.

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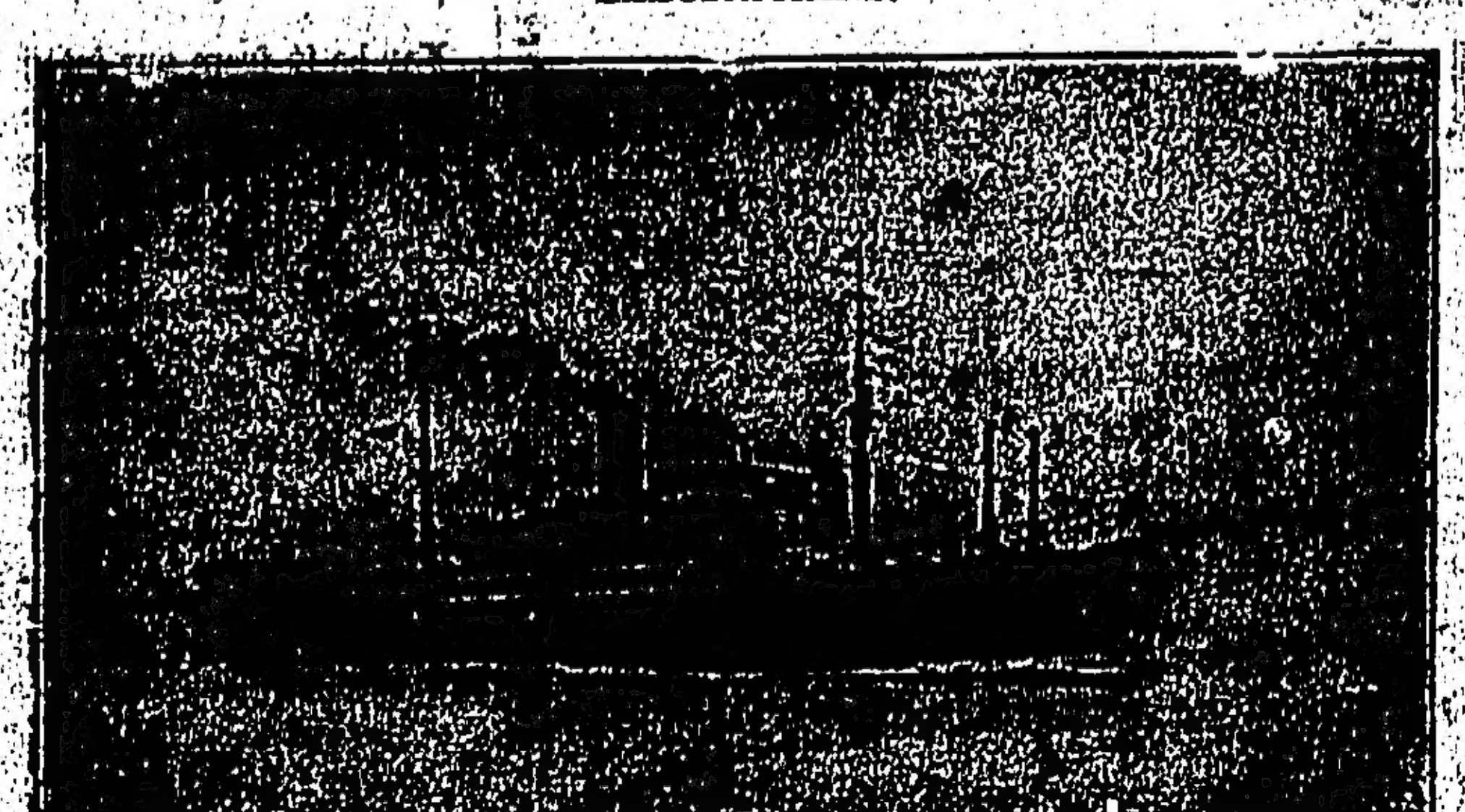
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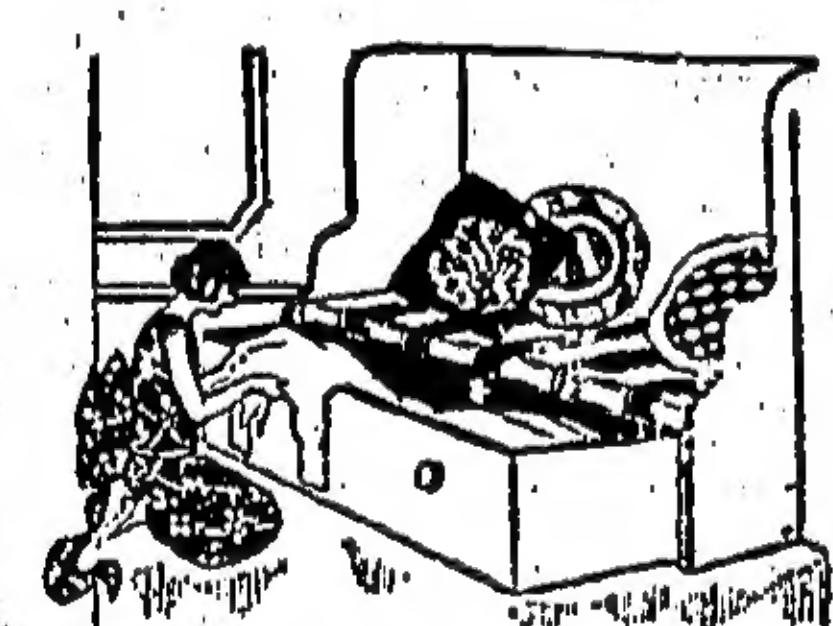
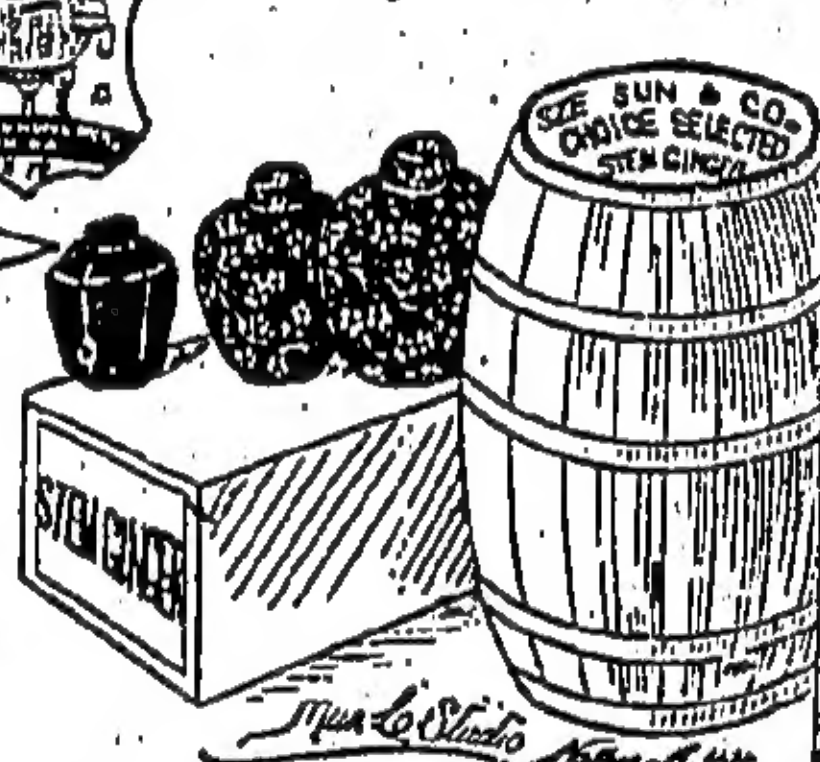
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## DEATHS.

ROZA-PEREIRA.—Only July 13,  
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Shanghai, Mrs. Aurea Maria  
Cruz, age 27.

WING.—On July 10, 1928, at 1337  
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must be deferred until it is known  
whether his policy of economy  
was justified. We have heard his  
assurance, given to the Hon. Sir  
Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C., on the  
occasion of the bathing beaches  
debate, that essential jobs had to  
be left out of the budget—and  
luxuries, much more so. When  
more is known, we venture to pre-  
dict, credit will be given to Sir  
Cecil Clementi for having sanc-  
tioned the most pressing outlays  
while postponing that which  
might wait.

## "Grenfell of Labrador."

Few honours bestowed by  
H.M. the King can possibly have  
given more universal satisfaction  
than the honour of "Knight Com-  
mander of Saint Michael and  
Saint George" just conferred  
upon Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, world-  
famous as "Grenfell of  
Labrador." Dr. Wilfred Grenfell  
is indeed, in many respects, a true  
modern knight and would have  
continued to remain so no matter  
whether knighthood had been  
conferred upon him or not. His  
has been a life full of wonderful  
vicissitudes, all of them in deeds  
full of noble purpose. Reuter  
told us yesterday that Dr. Gren-  
fell, in Labrador, "was qualified  
to act, as occasion demanded, as  
Christian missionary surgeon,  
master mariner and magistrate.  
That surely is much, but a great  
deal more can be said of "Grenfell  
of Labrador" and, indeed, in one  
form or another has often been  
said or written. Of very few  
men, either of modern or of an-  
cient times, can anything ap-  
proximating the remarkable  
achievements of "Grenfell of  
Labrador" be narrated, for his  
has been a long life of splendid  
action spent in the noblest of  
purposes. Grenfell was born in  
1865 and was educated at Marl-  
borough and Oxford and the Lon-  
don Hospital. He entered the ser-  
vice of the R.N.M.D.S.F. in 1889.  
Having fitted out the first hos-  
pital ship for the North Sea  
Fisheries, he cruised with the  
fishermen from the Bay of Biscay  
to Iceland, established homes for  
them on the land and arranged  
mission vessels for them at sea.  
In 1892 he went to Labrador  
where he built four hospitals, a  
series of co-operative stores, an  
orphanage and a school and started  
numerous small industrial  
schemes. In 1912 he opened in  
St. John's, Newfoundland, the  
King George the Fifth Seaman's  
Institute, the money for the erec-  
tion of which he had raised dur-  
ing the previous ten years. In  
1915 he had conferred upon him  
an Honorary Fellowship of the  
College of Surgeons of America;  
Major in the Harvard Surgical  
Unit in France; Hon. LL.D.  
Williams College, (in 1909); Hon.  
M.A. Harvard University, 1909;  
Hon. M.D. Toronto University,  
1911; received Murchison Be-  
quest, Royal Geographical So-  
ciety, 1911; F.R.C.S. 1920; Gold  
Medal of National Academy of  
Social Sciences of America,  
1920. His publications include  
"Adrift on a Pack of Ice," "A  
Man's Faith," "The Harvest of  
the Sea," "Off the Rocks,"  
"Labrador, 1910," "Down to the  
Sea," "Down North on the  
Labrador," "The Adventure of  
Life," "Immortality," and "Auto-  
biography of a Labrador Doctor,"  
1919; "Tales of the Labrador,"  
"Labrador Days, 1921," "Your-  
self and Your Body," 1925.  
Besides the above, "Grenfell of  
Labrador" is M.D. of Oxford,  
M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P. of London,  
a Justice of the Peace of New  
foundland, Master Mariner and  
Superintendent of the Interna-  
tional Grenfell Association.  
Years ago he received the honour  
of C.M.G. Now he is a Knight of  
the same ancient Order. Truly a  
remarkable, distinguished and  
noble career spent unselfishly for  
the good of his fellow-men.

Yesterday afternoon Major C.  
Wilson, O.B.E., concluded the pre-  
liminary hearing of the case in  
which six Chinese were charged  
with having been concerned in the  
recent armed robbery in the  
premises of the Chung Yin Chinese  
medicine firm, No. 84, Des Voeux-  
road West. Five of the accused  
were committed to the August  
Criminal Sessions. The sixth man  
was discharged. He will be tried  
independently, however, on a charge  
of unlawful possession of a dagger.

## MORE PAY.

LONG STANDING RUMOURS  
CONFIRMED.

GOVT. SERVANTS.

The rumours that have been com-  
mon property for months that there  
was to be an increase in the pay of  
government servants are confirmed  
in the following communication  
from the Colonial Secretary:—

"In 1920 the salaries of officers  
ordinarily recruited in Great  
Britain were settled and quoted  
in sterling. An Exchange com-  
pensation scheme was later  
added for values of the dollar  
from 4/4d. to 2/6d. In 1928  
after a long period of a low  
dollar, a scheme of remittance  
privileges for married officers  
with families at home was put  
in force. The Secretary of  
State has now approved of a re-  
commendation that this scheme  
should be discontinued and the  
following continuation of the  
compensation table be brought  
into force as from July 1—

"The Unofficial Members of both  
Councils were consulted and un-  
animously approved the recom-  
mendation before it was sub-  
mitted to the Secretary of  
State."

Percentage addition  
to amounts in dol-  
lars payable under  
General Order 10  
(1) when dollar is  
at 2/6d.

Value.	Married.	Single.
2/6 and below	2/6	2
2/4	2/6	4
2/3	2/4	6
2/2	2/3	8
2/1	2/2	10
2/0	2/1	12
1/11	2/0	14

## CORRESPONDENCE.

CIVIL SERVANTS' SALARIES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The announcement made in  
this morning's newspapers of a re-  
vision of the Civil Servants' salar-  
ies on a sterling basis did not  
come as any great surprise. It has  
been known now for some time  
that representations had been made  
for an increase in the salaries of  
officials receiving their salaries on  
a gold basis, and none will grudge  
their good fortune. On the basis  
of the rate of Exchange now ruling,  
the married officers will be entitled  
to an increase of 12 per cent, while  
the single officers will receive 6 per  
cent, more in dollar equivalent of  
their salaries. On the principle that  
the labourer is worthy of his hire,  
ratepayers will not be so ungracious  
as to kick against a recommenda-  
tion on which the Unofficial mem-  
bers of both Councils had been con-  
sulted and recommended and now  
sanctioned by the Secretary of  
State. So far so good.

But what about that large body  
of Civil Servants whom Mr. W. E. L.  
Shenton described in a speech in  
Council as "essential residents, who  
are employees and without whom  
the Colony cannot exist?" The  
hon. member was speaking at the  
time on the continually rising cost  
of living in this Colony and ad-  
vocated the holding of a representa-  
tive Inquiry to go into the question.

So far as the ratepayers are con-  
cerned the community is entirely in  
the dark as to the reasons justify-  
ing an adjustment of the salaries  
of the "Sterling" paid officials and  
at the same time withholding an  
increase from those earning their  
more modest salaries in dollars.  
On a recent public occasion I  
urged that the incidence of the  
higher cost of living in the Colony  
was becoming more burdensome to  
the smaller men who enjoy neither  
the benefit of free quarters nor the  
advantage of paid passages out of  
and back to the Colony on leave of  
absence.

If the Unofficial members of  
Council have thought fit to recom-  
mend an increase of salaries to  
Government employees earning their  
salaries on a gold basis, curiosity  
impels the question for what good  
reason have they not in all equity  
pleaded for men of and engaged in  
the Colony and who have good and  
special claims to considerate treat-  
ment on the ground of higher living  
costs in Hong Kong with a  
diminishing value in the purchas-  
ing power of the silver dollar?

There has been far too much dis-  
crimination in the past of the local  
men and always to their disad-  
vantage and the sooner this in-  
equality is done away with the bet-  
ter will the Colony become from an  
economic no less than from a social  
point of view.

Yours, etc.,

J. P. BRAGA.

Hong Kong, July 17, 1928.

## "LIFE."

"Life" was the subject of the  
Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of  
Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, July  
15.

The Golden Text was from John  
17:3. "This is life eternal, that  
they might know thee the only true  
God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou  
hast sent." Among the citations  
which comprised the Lesson-Sermon  
was the following from the Bible:  
"Forsake the foolish, and live; and  
go in the way of understanding....  
The fear of the Lord is the begin-  
ning of wisdom; and the knowledge  
of the holy is understanding. For  
by me thy days shall be multiplied,  
and the years of thy life shall be  
increased." (Proverbs 9: 6, 10, 11).  
The Lesson-Sermon also included  
the following passage from the  
Christian Science textbook,  
"Science and Health with Key to  
the Scriptures," by Mary Baker  
Eddy: "The understanding that  
Life is God, Spirit, lengthens our  
days by strengthening our trust in  
the deathless reality of Life, its  
almightiness and immortality."—  
(p. 487).

## TEASERS.

Answer The "China  
Mail" Questions.

TO-DAY'S POSERS.

From day to day a series of half  
a dozen questions, not tremendously  
difficult to answer, but not always  
so simply solved, may be thought  
appear on this page. These, as in  
the past, are compiled by the  
"China Mail" staff and include, from  
time to time, questions of local  
interest. Answers are given on  
Page seven.

1. What is the limited strength  
of the German Army?

2. How many Unofficial Members  
of Council are there?

3. Who was the amateur billiard  
champion last year in Britain?

4. Who is the President of the  
Church of England Men's Society in  
Hong Kong?

5. What was Lord Beaverbrook's  
former name?



## ALLEGED FRAUDS.

(Continued From Page 1.)

## "A MAN NAMED BURDEN."

On the same floor of York-building there was another firm called Thomas W. Simmons and Co., which was possibly a branch of a firm in California. The premises of the two firms were merely divided by a partition, and the manager of Thomas W. Simmons and Co., was a man named Burden of whom the Magistrate would hear more later.

About the end of 1920, Fook Lee and Co., and Thomas W. Simmons and Co., decided to form a limited company to be called Thomas W. Simmons, Ltd., and each of the then existing firms agreed to assign their respective business to the new company, and duly entered into an agreement of assignment of their respective business, in January 1921. The prisoner was party to this agreement, by which the new company took over the assets as well as the liabilities of the two old firms.

In consideration for this, Fook Lee and Co., had to assign to the new company properties which they claimed to hold. In making this assignment, the two sons of Fok Kam-chuen handed over properties belonging to the father which had been mortgaged to the Bank of Canton and the Asia Banking Corporation. The sons, Mr. Jenkin said, had no right to the six parcels of property which were handed over, and by fraud obtained the assignment purported to have been made by the father.

Counsel then handed in an agreement of the assignment of the goodwill of Fook Lee and Co., and everything else which had not been covered by previous agreements with the new company. He drew special attention to clause 2 of this agreement which undertook to assign properties claimed to be owned by Fook Lee and Co. Proceeding, Mr. Jenkin said that the Bank of Canton had deposited with them deeds Nos. 1, 2 and 3 to cover credit for Fook Lee and Co., but in truth and fact the prisoner and his brother had no interest in the properties covered by those deeds.

Mr. Jenkin here pointed out that the first agreement he had handed in was drawn up with only three typewritten clauses. What was now clause No. 2 in that document was not in it when it was drawn up. It was squeezed in afterwards in handwriting which was the writing of Mr. Beavis. An originally drawn up, that agreement was intended to show that the only partners of Fook Lee and Co., were the two sons of Fok Kam-chuen.

## A "RADICAL CHANGE."

In the agreement of December 7, Counsel proceeded there were only two names mentioned in the attestation clauses and no provision was made for attestation by the father. Some radical change must have taken place between the time the first and the third agreements were made, for in the third agreement the father's name was mentioned, it having evidently been found necessary to put in the father in order to transfer the properties belonging to him.

Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Jenkin said that although in the third agreement the father appeared as a partner of Fook Lee and Co. the old man in fact had nothing whatever to do with the sons' business, and had not taken any shares in it.

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin referred to correspondence after the new company had been formed by which it would be seen that the prisoner and his brother had become directors of the new company and became involved in the later fraud on the Bank of Canton.

Mr. Beavis, Counsel said, received instructions from the new company to prepare deeds for the transfer of the property, and at a meeting in Mr. Beavis' office were present Mr. Burden, Mr. Fok Kam-chuen, the prisoner and his brother Fok Tai-fai. The father then refused to have anything to do with the new company, and left after he had been reprimanded by Mr. Beavis for wasting his time. After the father had departed, the two sons and Mr. Burden obtained possession of the document from Mr. Beavis and left for the purpose of inducing the old man to sign it. Later these three men returned to Mr. Beavis' office and announced that at last they had got the father to execute the deed.

## THE ATTESTATION.

However, the attestation form was not signed with the manner in which the execution was made by the father, in that no attestation was made to the name of the person before whom the attestation was to have been made in Mr. Beavis' office. Mr. Beavis remedied this by striking out the name of this witness, initialled it, and altered the document to show that the attestation had been made by the father in the presence of his two sons. Another clause in this document was executed by the prisoner in the presence of Mr. Beavis.

Referring to the father's signature on the deed of assignment, Mr.

Jenkin pointed out that it had been written horizontally instead of perpendicularly. He said that the case for the prosecution was that that signature was not the signature of the father and was a forgery. If that signature was not forged by the prisoner, at least he knew that it was forged and had knowingly uttered the forged document to Mr. Beavis. The prosecution also alleged that the prisoner had conspired with his brother to defraud the father or the Bank of Canton.

Returning to the new company, Mr. Jenkin said that it wanted banking facilities and desired to carry forward financial agreements formerly in existence between the old firm and the Bank of Canton, therefore the new company mortgaged the property deeds with the bank who gave the new company financial assistance to the tune of \$110,000. The deeds thus mortgaged related to properties Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 7. Property No. 7, Counsel said, was owned by the prisoner and his brother as tenants in common and was the only parcel which they could dispose of. The other three belonged to the father and they had no right to them.

Coming to explain how the fraud by the sons was discovered by the father, Mr. Jenkin said that, after entrusting the business, of Fook Lee of Hillier-street to the prisoner in 1916 the father resided mostly in Hong Kong leaving the prisoner to run the business. Prisoner managed the old business until 1919 when Lee and Co., was started. At the end of 1920 it was decided to float the new company and the father was then asked to come in but he refused to finance it. Then the sons took the law into their own hands and involved the father's properties in the new company.

## THE LIQUIDATION.

Proceeding, Mr. Jenkin said that old man Fok went to Canton at the end of 1920 and stayed away for three years. In the meantime the company had been liquidated. The Bank of Canton, wishing to liquidate the matter then advertised in the papers that they were going to dispose of the old man's properties. Mr. Fook saw the advertisement and instructed his solicitors, Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley.

The prisoner then immediately deputed and was not seen again by his father for some years. Previous to this, on more than one occasion the old man had asked prisoner if the deeds were all right and was informed that they were. He had also asked for them back but was always put off by the prisoner.

Mr. Jenkin then told the Magistrate that he did not know what attitude the father, Mr. Fok Kam-chuen was going to take in the present proceedings against the prisoner. He had refused to interview either Counsel or Mr. Watson, and Counsel really did not know what he would say in the witness box, although he knew what he ought to say, because of proceedings in another Court recently.

Mr. Fok Kam-chuen had gone to Mr. Bulmer Johnson, however, and asked what he was expected to say. Mr. Bulmer Johnson had communicated with Mr. Watson and Counsel supplied a précis of the case based on the old man's statement at the Supreme Court. On Friday last the old man said that he would attend Court, and in reply to an inquiry by Mr. Watson, Mr. Bulmer Johnson said that it was not necessary to take out a subpoena for the old man's appearance.

As late as yesterday afternoon, however, Mr. Fok Kam-chuen was examined by Dr. S. C. Ho, who advised him that it was necessary for him to take a trip north. Counsel did not know if the old man had left yet, but he hoped that the trip would do him good if he had already gone. In the circumstances, the Counsel proposed, when the time came, to call the father's name in the ordinary way and, if he did not appear, he would ask his Worship to issue a subpoena.

The first witness called was Police Sergeant E. C. Clemp who deposed to arresting the prisoner by virtue of a warrant dated June 25, 1928. He executed that warrant on board the s.s. "Kinslan" at 10 p.m. on June 26.

The case is proceeding.

## CROSS SUMMONS.

## WHOSE DRIVER WAS AT FAULT?

A cross summons was brought before Mr. C. Wilson this morning when Mrs. Matheson, Huntington, Stubbs-road, summoned the driver of Mrs. Cheung Wal-chi, Caine-road, for negligent driving. Mrs. Cheung Wal-chi replied with a cross-summons against Mrs. Matheson's driver.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for Mrs. Cheung Wal-chi, Sub-Inspector Alexander told the Court he understood that certain witnesses could be called and asked for an adjournment.

Accordingly the case was adjourned until Monday afternoon.

## P.W.D. OFFICIAL.

MR. &amp; MRS. H. T. JACKMAN AT GOVERNMENT-HOUSE.

## MR. JACKMAN'S RETIREMENT.

Evidence of the high esteem in which Mr. H. T. Jackman, Assistant Director of Public Works, and Mrs. Jackman, are held in the Colony, was evident at the Government House yesterday afternoon, when they were presented with a rose bowl and a coffee set, as parting gifts from Mr. Jackman's colleagues in the Government service. Mr. Jackman has just retired after 25 years' service, and on Saturday will sail home with Mrs. Jackman by the s.s. "Rawalpindi" on well-earned pension.

The presentation was made by the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Director of Public Works, in the presence of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, (The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) Mrs. Southern, and a large attendance of Government officials who were accompanied by their wives.

## HIS EXCELLENCY'S REMARKS.

Prior to the presentation His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government said:

On behalf of my wife and myself I should just like to say how pleased we are to welcome the members of the P.W.D. this afternoon. There is a touch of sadness about the occasion, inasmuch as one of the objects of our meeting is to say Good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Jackman.

There is no need for me to say how sorry we are to lose them both, or how much we have missed them since Mr. Jackman's illness should be the cause of the separation.

I am going to leave the Director of Public Works to speak of Mr. Jackman's work in general and shall confine myself to saying how much I have myself, in our comparatively brief association of barely a year, appreciated his assistance when he was acting as D.P.W. during part of which time I was administering the Government. I found Mr. Jackman the most loyal and hardworking of helpers and there is, I am afraid, no doubt that the hard work of that year has had much to do with Mr. Jackman's illness.

We can ill afford to lose either Mr. or Mrs. Jackman. I could say a lot about Mrs. Jackman's interest in all that has been for the good of the women of this Colony, and the Helena May Institute especially will miss her active assistance.

## THE PRESENTATION.

In asking Mr. and Mrs. Jackman to accept the gifts the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy said:

Your Excellency, Mrs. Southern, Ladies and Gentlemen.—Firstly, may I express the feelings of the officers of this department and thank Your Excellency and Mrs. Southern for your very great kindness and the great honour you have done us all by inviting us as a body to Government House to-day, and for allowing us to take this opportunity of saying farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Jackman.

It is just 25 years and one day since Mr. Jackman arrived in this Colony and only four or five officers are present here to-day who can remember his arrival. His devotion to duty has, I fear, had much to do with undermining his health which unfortunately necessitates his leaving us now.

For myself I have been very fortunate in having so loyal a friend and so helpful and efficient an assistant. His capacity for work is well-known and I shall always be most grateful to him for his very valuable assistance during the five years I have had the pleasure of serving with him.

Mr. Jackman has seen great developments during his 25 years' service. When he arrived in 1903 the expenditure of the department was under 1½ millions and the European staff was about 50. Now our average annual expenditure is over eight millions and we have a European staff of over 150.

## TRIBUTE TO MRS. JACKMAN.

The Colony is not only losing a very valued officer but we are also losing Mrs. Jackman, who can ill be spared and who has endeared herself very much to us all. She will be greatly missed not only by this department, who well know her never-failing kindness and readiness to help, but she will be also greatly missed by the many and varied public committees to which she has so whole-heartedly devoted so much of her time and energy. We wish them both most heartily the very best of health and happiness.

With Your Excellency's permission, we wish to present to Mr. and Mrs. Jackman a small token of the regard and affection in which they

## TEASERS.

Answers to To-day's Questions.

1. 100,000, voluntarily recruited.
2. Six.
3. L. Steeples, of Sheffield.
4. Rev. Alfred Swann, M.A.
5. Max Aitken.
6. Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Two Girls Wanted."  
To-day—World Theatre; "Circus the Enchantress."  
To-day—Star Theatre; "Down the Stretch."  
July 19-21—Queen's Theatre; "Hotel Imperial."  
July 19-21—World Theatre; "Three Faces East."  
July 19-21—Star Theatre; "The Music Master."  
July 20—Promenade concert at Volunteer Parade Ground at 9.15 p.m.

## Lammert's Auctions.

July 19—At 14, Granville-rd. (Top Floor), Kowloon, household furniture, 11 a.m.  
July 20—At 94, Nathan-rd., Kowloon (first floor), household furniture, 11 a.m.

## Meetings.

July 19—H. K. Football Club extraordinary general meeting, board room of Messrs. Jardines, 5.30 p.m.  
July 22—H.K.V.D.C. Sports Committee meeting at Headquarters, 5.45 p.m.

## Miscellaneous.

July 17-18—Grand Tattoo Emblem exhibition, City Hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
July 18—Open day at Quarry Bay School, from 10.30 a.m.

## CHINESE LIQUOR.

## ACTION BY IMPORTS AND EXPORTS DEPARTMENT.

At the Central Magistracy, yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsay heard further evidence in the case in which the Tai Tung native distillery were summoned on three counts as follows:—(1) failing to keep a correct record of a portion of the amount of Chinese spirits produced from molasses; (2) failing to keep a correct record of the amount of molasses added to what remained from fermentation in the kongs; and (3) failing to affix properly the green "duty-paid" labels on 90 jars of wine.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, prosecuted, and Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defence.

Before the defence opened, the Magistrate decided to dismiss the count in regard to the green labels, indicating that as the jars were still in the distillery at the time they could be deemed to be still within the custody of the distillery. The licensee of the Tai Tung distillery, in the witness box, answering Mr. Lo said that it was quite common to have different results from molasses which were put into various kongs at the same time. When it came to distillation, they did not get the same strength from the different vats.

The witness denied that he had added molasses to several kongs without recording it in his books, and remarked: "If I had added molasses, the inspector would certainly have found a shortage in the amount of molasses in stock, but he did not find it so."

Mr. Lloyd explained that it was impossible to take a very accurate check of molasses stocked.

The case was further adjourned until Friday afternoon next.

Ten robbers, nine of whom were armed with daggers and one with a toy pistol, raided a matchbox at Tin Sum Village, Shatin, New Territories, on Saturday at midnight. The robbers, after intimidating the inmates, a woman, made away with property valued at about \$48.

Rome, To-day.—The death is announced of ex-Premier Giolitti.

are held by every officer in the department, and we trust they will keep it as a memento of our best wishes and kindest remembrances.

Mr. Jackman briefly returned thanks for the gifts.

After the presentation tea was served on the lawn, and enjoyable games of tennis and bowls were played. The party was entertained by a pleasant selection of music rendered by the band of the 9th Punjab Regiment.

## THE PSYCHIC HEALER.

CURES "DIABETES."

I had been suffering from 'diabetes' for many years. I had gone under many treatments, but all in vain. I had no hope of recovery. I was told by one of my friends to see the 'Psychic Healer' now staying in the Hotel Savoy. So, I went to consult him, who gave me a few 'Tawizas'. I acted according to his instructions and now I am completely cured of my disease.

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## "2 GIRLS WANTED."

## TO-DAY'S PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

Janet Gaynor comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow in her first comedy picture entitled "2 Girls Wanted." According to advance reports, the picture is one of the best things the talented little actress has done in her short but brilliant career, revealing, as it does, quite another side to her character, and confirming the promise of ability she gave in her portrayal of "Diane" in "7th Heaven."

The story deals with two sisters and of their fight for existence in a big city, with Miss Gaynor as the one who is forced in a last desperate effort to obtain work by masquerading as a boy. Much comedy is introduced when the girl becomes involved in a street fight and her real identity discovered. Her escape from the embarrassing situation when she accidentally hits a young man is followed by a romance which develops into a further series of amusing scenes. Glenn Tryon has the male lead and others appearing in the cast include Marie Mosquini, who played the part of Madame Gobin in "7th Heaven," Ben Bard and Doris Lloyd.

## A RACING STORY AT THE STAR.

## THE STAR.

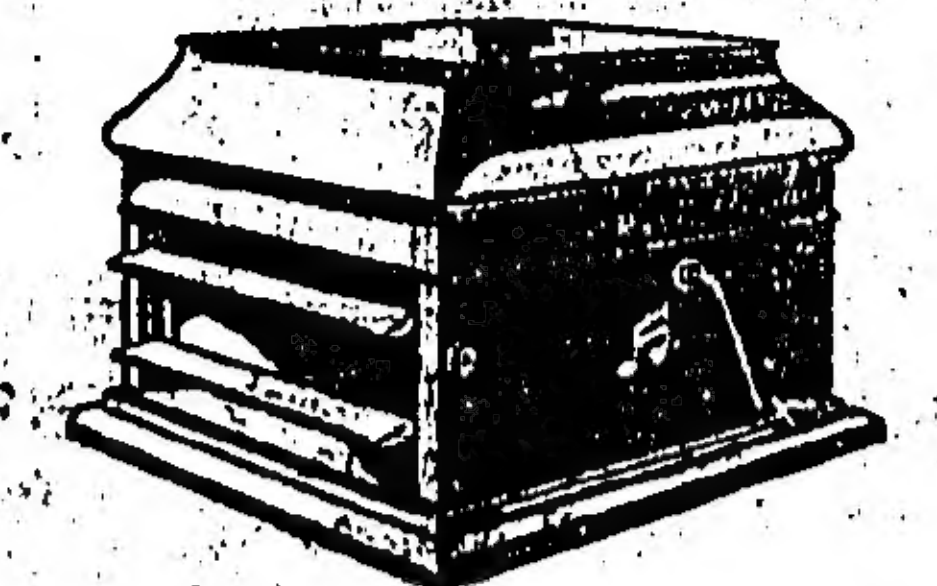
A thrilling race track picture entitled, "Down the Stretch," is to be screened at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The picture depicts in graphic style the inner secrets and life behind the scenes of every big race meeting.

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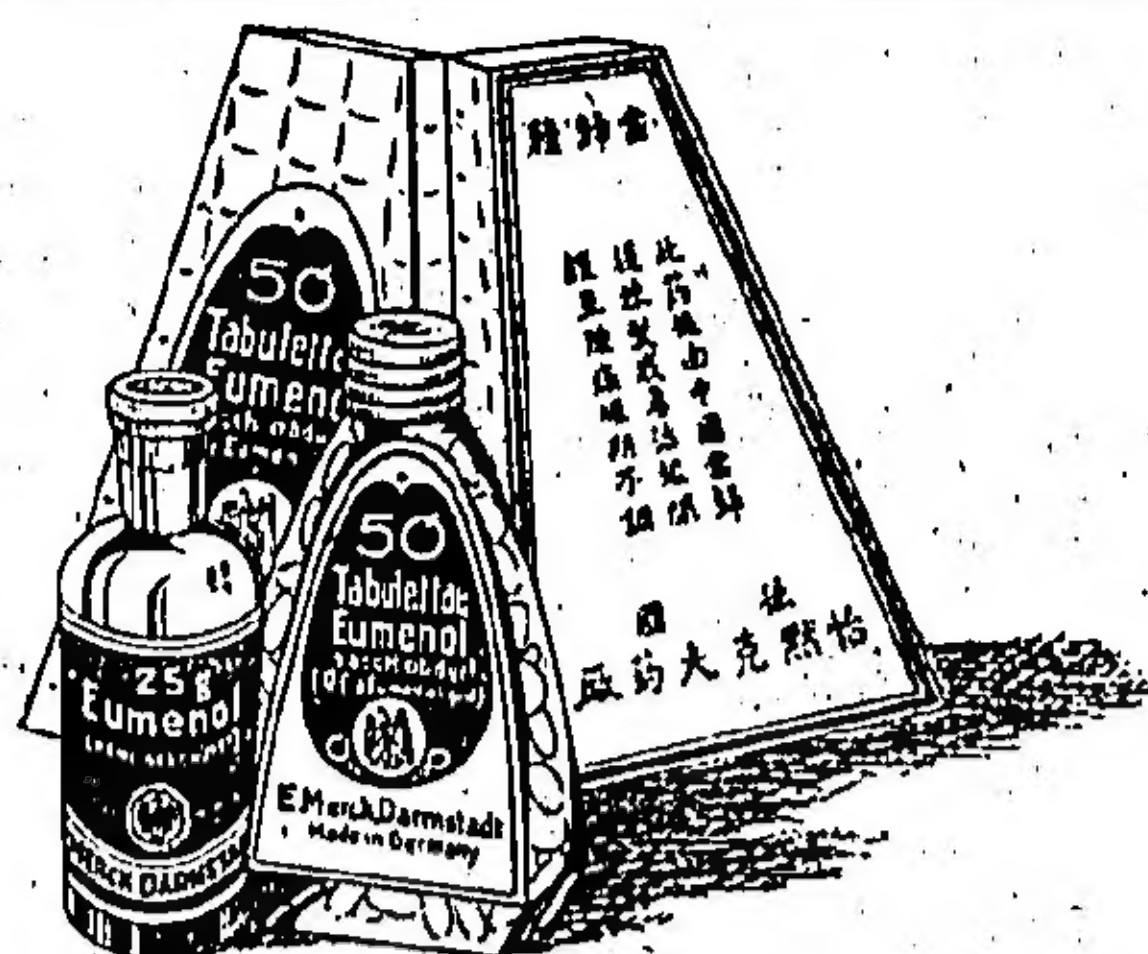
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## THE PHILIPPINES.

GOV. GENERAL STIMSON'S MESSAGE.

### RETROSPECT OF 1927.

Manila, Yesterday.  
The Governor General said in part:—

The year that has passed since the opening of the last legislative session has been an unusually quiet and prosperous one to the great body of the Filipino people. Generally speaking, public order has been excellent and health conditions good with a notable freedom from epidemic diseases. No floods, typhoons, or similar natural disasters, have reached the magnitude of those frequently experienced in previous years. The country has passed through a general election with most commendable freedom from disorder, although the department in charge of the supervision of that election has reported to me a growing and dangerous increase in the corrupt use of money at the polls.

### GENERAL CONDITIONS.

The general condition of the country is reasonably prosperous, and the financial condition of the Government at the close of the fiscal year was very good. In 1927, the revenues exceeded the expenditures of government by over three million pesos, and the balance sheet of the Government shows a surplus over all commitments of about seven million pesos. It must not be forgotten, however, that while the ordinary expenses of government increased last year by about five million pesos, the revenues for some years have been substantially stationary, and the surplus in the Treasury has, therefore, decreased and is necessarily decreasing.

The total trade of the islands showed in 1927 an increase of over 1926. The area planted to most of our leading crops was larger than ever before recorded, the increase in the production of rice being particularly encouraging.

### AMERICAN CAPITAL.

In my inaugural address I attempted to point out the importance of a greater economic development of these islands and the necessity of encouraging the entry of American capital for that purpose. I believe that problem is the fundamental problem of the Philippine Islands to-day, underlying nearly all other problems, and it is the subject to which I now wish to direct the principal attention of your honorable body.

Many years ago the Filipino people turned their faces from the Orient towards the West and accepted a Western civilization. With the progress of time, their tastes have become more firmly set upon the ideals of the Occident. Not only in their material surroundings are they grasping after and becoming dependent upon the comforts and advantages peculiar to a Western civilization; but in their political ideals and in their education they are vigorously cultivating a mental aptitude and desire for such advantages. The improved roads and motorbuses which transport your people from province with an ease and rapidity undreamed of a few years ago are significant. The Filipino people to-day constitute a community in the Orient filled with eager Western desire and hunger for the mental and material good things of this life, but are held back from a gratification of this desire by their failure thus far to achieve the mechanical and economic progress by which alone such desires can be gratified.

### WEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES.

At the same time, the Philippine Islands contain a wealth of natural resources which, under proper development, could be made to satisfy these unfulfilled desires of their people. These great resources have been left virtually untouched and great masses of our population are to-day undernourished and suffer greatly from diseases arising from lack of nutrition like tuberculosis and beriberi.

What is the cause of this singular anomaly?

Mr. Lyman P. Hammond, in a report which is now printed and available finds that this singular condition of the Filipino people arises directly out of their failure to make use of the services and power of modern machinery and modern mechanical methods. He further points out that this service can only be obtained by that kind of co-operation which is known as modern large business and by the use of the large quantities of capital properly organized and intelligently applied according to modern standards.

### SUMMING UP.

In summing up his observations, he says: "The iron ore deposits of Surigao and Calamian are not to be worked by the spade; the steam shovel is necessary. The deeply buried gold-bearing strata in the Mountain Province cannot be located with the prospector's pick; the diamond drill or extension of the deep workings of the

mines will be required for that discovery. The coal deposits will come into profitable operation when power-consuming industries come in size and number to justify mining operations on a large enough scale with modern mining and conveying equipment.

"In my opinion, Philippine development now calls for operation in and by big business units. What is needed here is the corporation with ample resources in capital and technical and expert talent."

Certain thoughtful critics have sought to arouse suspicion and enmity by saying that to invite the help of such capital would be to institute economic serfdom to America. It would be hard to conceive a more disastrous error.

I believe that American capital has learned the unwisdom and the danger of attempting unfairly to exploit the land in which it enters. I believe that it is ready to come here, and it certainly will be permitted to come here only upon terms of fairness with respect to the treatment of its Filipino partners and its Filipino labour.

### AMERICA'S EXAMPLE.

The Philippine Islands to-day stand in much the same economic situation as the United States stood one hundred and fifty years ago. We in America were then possessors of the boundless resources of a great continent, but we were poor and lacked the means to develop those resources. We borrowed freely from Europe, including many countries with whose political institutions we had no sympathy. Is America in economic serfdom to these countries to-day? She has developed her resources; she has paid back her debts; and to-day is not only independent of her former creditors, but is able to lend to and support them in their later troubles.—Reuter.



Miss Raymond Alah, 18, and pretty, who has been chosen of a jury of Paris, France, to be the most beautiful girl in France and hence wins the right to represent her country in the international beauty contest to be held at Galveston, Texas, this summer.

### LONDON OF 1588.

UNIVERSITY PROPHESIED LONG, LONG AGO.

There has just been added to the Guildhall library a reprint of a very rare sixteenth century volume, which contains entertaining pictures of the London of the day. The "Parliament of Prayers," published in 1588, is a lively book of social miniatures written in dialogue form by John Eliot, an Englishman who had led a roving life on the Continent. In one of the conversations he says "the Cross in Cheap bringeth more beauty and ornament to the City of London than doth Julius Caesar's Pyramids to Rome."

The humour of John Eliot, who declares that he conceived "the book in merry and fantastical vein," is often associated with wide visions, as, for instance, "Antonie: Now we are got to the Change."

John: The Exchange was built in the year 1557 by the knight Sir Thomas Gresham, who hath also given large revenues to the City of London for the maintenance of a College and Schoolmasters to read therein the seven liberal sciences.

Antonie: London shall then be an University.

John: That's true, but God, He knows when.

The popular surgeon of Macao, Dr. Jose Caetano Soares, is passing through Hong Kong on his return to Macao from home leave. Dr. Soares, who is looking extremely well after his visit to Europe, is returning to the Portuguese Colony along with his wife and family remaining in Portugal for the present.

A fierce fire which was caused by lightning destroyed a number of warehouses at Merzem, near Barmah, containing a great quantity of cotton bales, wood pulp, iron, etc. Considerable damage was done.

## POLICE RESERVE.

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### TRAINING SCHOOL.

The following Orders have been issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held on Wednesday, July 18 at 6 p.m. sharp. All members of the Chinese, and Indian Companies who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course must attend.

### Squad Drill.

All recruits of the Chinese and Indian Companies, and of the Flying Squad will parade at Central

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### Shanghai, To-day.

In H.B.M.'s Supreme Court this morning, the case was opened in which Mr. William Beatty, lately one of the Commissioners of Police under the Shanghai Municipal Council, sued Captain E. L. M. Barrett, C.I.E., the Commissioner of Police, for 50,000 taels damages in connection with a letter Capt. Barrett sent to Mr. S. M. Edwards, Secretary to the Council, which is alleged to have resulted in the Council refusing to renew Mr. Beatty's contract of service.—Reuter.

[Captain Barrett is best known in Hong Kong as the "Interpret" cricket captain and all-round sportsman. He is also a Hampshire cricketer. He was promoted Commissioner after the trouble in May, 1925.]

Police Station on Thursday, July 19 at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill under Sergeant Condon. Dress—Muff.

### Chinese Company.

Training. The following members of the Chinese Company have passed their examination in Part 2 of Training Course. (Knowledge of Police Duties and Regulations):—

Constable, R57 Wong Man Ying passed with credit.

Constable, R79 Lo Tak Hoi passed.

Advanced men of the Chinese Company to be detailed by the O. C. will parade at the Police Training School, Kowloon, on Wednesday, July 18, at 6.00 p.m. sharp for Extended Order and Baton Drill under Inspector Paterson. Dress—Muff. Rifles, Side-Arms, and Truncheon to be carried.

### Indian Company.

Resignation. Sub-Inspector Khawas Khan is permitted to resign as from July 11, owing to his being about to leave the Colony for good.

Training. Constable, R238 Noor Mohamed has passed his examination in Part 2 of Training Course with credit.

### Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, July 19, Fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform. Revolver Practice—Sunday, July 22, has been tentatively fixed for the members of the Flying Squad to fire off the Revolver Course; further particulars will be published later.

### Sharpshooters Company.

Rifle Practice—Rifle practice will take place on the Peak Range on Sunday, July 22. Members will assemble at the Upper Tram Station at 10 a.m. Uniform optional. (Sgd.) W. KENT, A.S.P. Adjutant.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the A.M.L. liner "President Jefferson" for San Francisco to-day were:—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Belajoe; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Helms; Mrs. E. P. Lock; Mr. A. A. Brimo; Mr. B. B. Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Clifford; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Cowie; Mr. and Mrs. D. Cowie; Mr. T. H. Cowie; Mr. L. C. Cowie; Mr. C. O. Edman; Miss Betty A. Cowie; Mr. M. Lyndberg; Mr. A. R. Kipler; Mrs. Johnson; Mrs. Sara S. Novak; Mrs. F. G. Willis; Mrs. S. G. De Veyra; Dr. M. F. Mendez; Mrs. L. Rosenberg; Miss J. A. Reyes; Mr. J. W. Randolph; Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Smith; Miss B. J. Smith; Mr. A. G. White; Mr. O. Wyss; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Yates; Mr. L. Mylek; Mrs. R. A. Lewis; Mr. V. Walker; Mr. H. C. Meyer; Mr. H. N. Cockingham; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Helmes.

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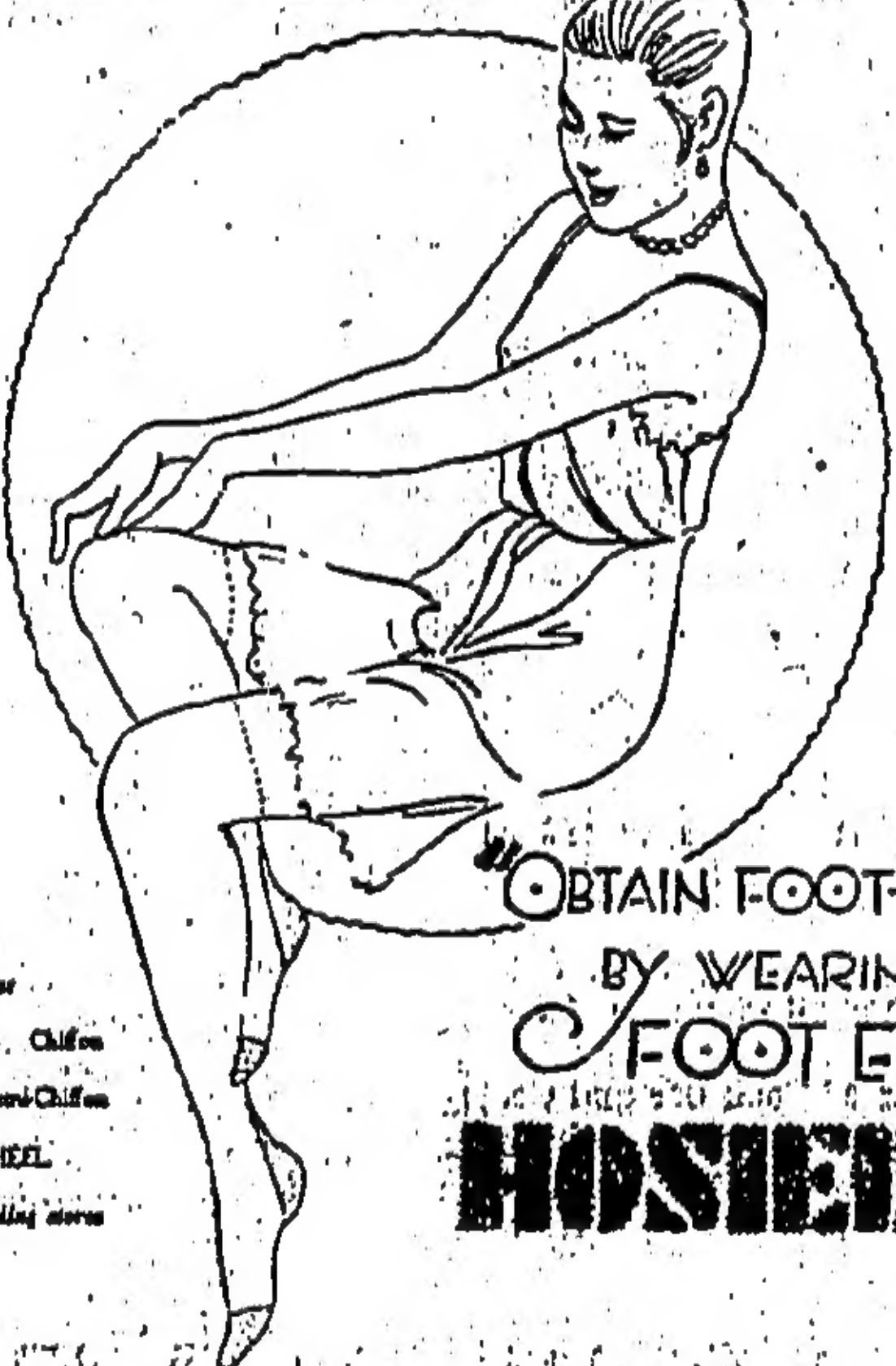
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## IN THE RING.

### OVERDOING THE VALUE OF THE PUNCH.

[By Eugene Corri.]

Len Harvey is especially keen on a match with Tommy Milligan. He has generous backing for such a fight—anything up to £1000, I am told. Money in boxing, as in all things, is an important, a vital consideration, and I am sure that the Scot is of that way of thinking. That being so, the way to a match, for which Harvey hankers, should not be difficult. There is this, however, Milligan very properly intends to make it his first business to try and prove that he is a better middle-weight than Ireland, and, until he knows what is exactly the attitude of Ireland, I doubt whether he will feel inclined to take up the challenge thrown out by Harvey. That the two will meet sooner or later I regard as certain.

In the matter of the knock-out punch which Milligan employed in his recent affair with Rosenbloom, I see that he has been enjoined to concentrate upon punching in all his recent affair with Rosenbloom, I see that he has been enjoined to concentrate upon punching in all his future engagements. It has been laid down that each and every one of our boxers would be wise to sacrifice almost everything to the punch. They would not be wise to do so. Before a man can punch he must learn how to box, and have a regard for boxing.

I am asked to believe that Dempsey in the popular sense of the term, was no boxer. I refuse to do so. Dempsey when at his best, and when he was unbeatable, was an excellent boxer. The idea that he was a mere slogger is entirely wrong. When Dempsey was at the top, he could not hit any harder than when he was knocking around the countryside, pleased to fight for little more than a meal. But he has confessed that, when he was at his strongest, he found it hard to hit with all the power he possessed. For the reason that, as a boxer, he was little better than a greenhorn. If Dempsey had not given himself to learn boxing, he would never have been a world's champion.

### A REAL SCIENTIST.

As I saw Dempsey against Carpenter, he was a splendidly shifty boxer. There was brain, besides power, in his glove. If we are to have only the rushing, bushing type of fellow, we shall develop bad ways. Glove-fighting will then have ceased to be a science. The trouble, as I see things, is that ever so many people cannot, or will not, discriminate as to what is meant by, and what is not, boxing. Boxing is not boxing when a man works around in circles, flapping a glove, and prancing. Boxing is a thing meant to be done for a definite purpose. It is a science by which one man may outpoint the other, or, if possible, knock him out.

By point scoring I do not mean adherence to the use of the left hand only. I don't mean a species of tip-tapping, or what is called the "fancy stuff." I mean the employment of all the faculties. Footwork, for instance, is one of the high arts, for by footwork you may lure your opponent into a position in which he may be effectively punched.

Take Johnny Hill. He first seeks to carve out his opportunity before letting go his best punch. And, when he hits, he has, in his mind's eye, a definite target at which he aims. Now, if Hill, in his future contests, made a point of rushing in and endeavouring to win by single punch, the probability would be that he would cease to be free to lord it over the rest of the little men. The importance of the punch can be stressed too much. It is elementary that a fighter, to win any sort of renown, must have a decisive blow, but only harm can come from the advice offered to all youngsters to take a lesson from the punch which laid low Maxie Rosenbloom.

I am all for the out-and-out fighter, but I have little room for the harum-scarum fighter. I see that it is laid down that Bob Fitzsimmons beat Jim Corbett for the only reason that he carried Jim Corbett for the only reason that he carried a heavier punch. True, Fitzsimmons was a mighty puncher, but it was not his punch alone that won for him the championship of the world. Fitzsimmons was a great boxer, and all great boxers are capable of knocking the other fellow out. You have the classic case of Tannoy.

It is commonly agreed that when a dethroned Dempsey had nothing like the vicious punch that Dempsey carried, but he was the superior boxer, in that he not only outpointed

ed Dempsey, but by skill caused the accumulative effects of his blow to tell in his favour. May I ask whether it is believed that Jim Driscoll would have come to be the best feather-weight of his time if he had been obsessed by the efficacy of the punch? Only once do I remember Driscoll rushing and tearing into his man as though he meant blue murder. And then he lost! He was disqualified against Freddie Welsh.

There was not a fighter who could have lived against Jim Driscoll at his weight when Jim boxed at his best. I know that he lost to the uncompromising fighter, Charles Ledoux, but then Driscoll was an old and much-used-up man. I am not for pretending that the boxer will beat the fighter. But neither am I for accepting the dictum that there is only room for the slogger in the ring.

### OLYMPIAD FIGHTERS.

The season at the National Sporting Club having ended with the bantam championship between Patenden and Nicholson, we have had a very quiet and uneventful week in London. The next affair to quicken our interest will be the bout between Mancini and Hood, which, as you know, has been put off until the 25th. I have not heard anything really definite as to the Stamford Bridge venture. We had better wait and see what happens. I observe that Newsboy Brown has contracted to fight Emile Pladner in Paris. Pity it is that there is small prospect of our seeing the American in our ring. But I do not despair. Meantime, the A. B. A. are putting the members of Britain's team to compete in the Olympic Games at Amsterdam in the later days of August—through a regular preparation. It is vital that every boxer should be absolutely fit.

The competition for titles will be very severe. Roughly, 35 nations will be represented, and from all accounts the fighters will be of a better class than those we saw at Paris four years ago, when we had our first peep at Fidel La Barba. I am not without hope for our boys. But I should have been all the more confident had Johnny Hill not become professional. Taylor, who will be the fly-weight, is a very game boy, but, if I am not mistaken, he is not a Hill—not by any manner of means—and is not the equal of either Warwick, Jimmy McKenzie, or Alf Barber, who were our choices at Paris. And as sure as anything we shall miss Harry Mallin in the middles.

We had a final try out last Saturday night at the Stadium Club, Holborn, the idea being to find out the most likely feather-weight and the best of the heavies. Meacham, the young Civil servant, who won the feather title at the last A.B.A. championships, will not be our first string. He was defeated by F. M. Perry, of the Roath A.A.C. And a young London policeman, named Goyder, not only defeated A. J. Clifton, also a policeman, who at the last Olympiad beat Eddie Eagen, the American, but was altogether too good for Lieut. Capper. I think highly of Goyder. It is as likely as not that he will win for us the heavyweight title. "Sports Despatch."

### HONG DOUBLES.

#### CHARTERED BANK WINS.

The Chartered Bank won their Hong doubles games against the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation yesterday. J. S. McEachran and A. Reid (ove 15) beat M. D. Scott and M. G. Mills (rec. 15) 2-6, 8-6, 6-4. D. J. Gilmore and T. L. Christie (rec. 5-3) beat W. H. N. Murdoch and E. L. Groome (rec. 5-6) 6-0, 6-2.

To-day R. M. Chaloner and H. Spicer (B. & S.) rec. 15-3 meet C. L. Sandes and H. Graves (Mercantile Bank) rec. 15.

### PING PONG.

#### MORE LEAGUE ENTRIES WANTED.

So far only five teams have entered the Senior Ping Pong League, viz: The S.C.A.A., Chinese A.A., Chinese Catholic Society, the Kowloon-Hop Yung Club, and the Hon Chung School. As regards the Junior League, only four entries have been received. This is rather disappointing in view of the keen interest taken in this indoor game amongst Clubs and Schools, and it has therefore been decided to postpone the closing date for entries until Friday, July 20.

## WALKER CUP.

### BRITISH GOLF TEAM FOR AMERICA.

J. B. Beck (age 30), national handicap 3. First came into prominence when he played for Oxford University in 1920. Played for England against Scotland in 1926. Ronald Hardman (age 28), national handicap 3. One of the strongest players in Lancashire, having won the Amateur Championship of the county twice. Represented England against Scotland 1927 and 1928.

Major C. O. Hazlet (age 37), national handicap 1. Runner-up in the British Championship in 1914. Played most of his early golf in Ireland, where his mother and sisters were also internationalists. Won Irish Native Championship in 1920 and Irish "Open" in 1926. Has played four times for Ireland and three times for Britain. When last he visited America was beaten by "Bobby" Jones in the Walker Cup match. Recently toured with British team in South Africa.

W. L. Hope (age 30), national handicap 2. Played for Cambridge University in 1920. Has played three times for England and represented Great Britain against America in 1923.

Dr. A. R. MacCallum (age 30), national handicap 4. First played for Edinburgh University, and afterwards Aberdeen University. Has won many tournaments in Scotland, but came into prominence in the Amateur Championship at Prestwick, where he reached the sixth round. Is in practice at Wolverhampton.

T. P. Perkins (aged 23), national handicap 3. Won England Amateur Championship in 1927; winner of British Amateur Championship 1928. Played for England for first time this year.

E. F. Storey (age 26), national handicap 2. Captain, Cambridge University, 1923. Runner-up Amateur Championship 1924. Played for England against Scotland five times, and for Great Britain against America in 1924 and 1926.

T. A. Torrance (aged 37), national handicap 2. A London dental surgeon, who learned his golf in Edinburgh. Won Irish Open Championship in 1927. Represented Scotland five times, and Great Britain against America in 1924.

C. J. H. Tolley (age 32), national handicap scratch. Another product of University golf, having captained Oxford in 1922. Won amateur championship in 1920. Won Welsh, French and Sussex championships and many Royal and Ancient Club awards. Played for England in seven matches against Scotland, and been in Great Britain team in every one of five matches in Walker Cup contests. Also represented Britain in South Africa recently.

Dr. William Tweddell (age 31), national handicap 3. Was first in prominence when he played golf as a student of Aberdeen University, and was successful in Scottish open events. Now in practice at Stourbridge. Won the British Amateur Championship last year, and played for England against Scotland this year.

## SCOTTISH SOCCER.

### THE SEASON'S PROFITS AND LOSSES.

From football clubs' balance sheets available, profit and loss returns are as under:

Profits.	
Rangers	£11,137
Everton	10,499
Aston Villa	8,300
Liverpool	8,327
Middlesbrough	8,165
West Ham U.	7,000
Stoke City	3,800
Manchester City	2,143
Celtic	2,070
Wolverhampton	2,019
Sunderland	1,463
South Shields	1,200
Third Lanark	1,136
Dunfermline A.	1,000
Bathgate	914
Dumbarton	457
Barnsley	398
Forres Mechanics	304
King's Park	125
Newcastle United	48
Burnley	14
Losses.	
Raith Rovers	£ 8,320
Hamilton Aca.	3,000
Ayr United	2,390
Rochele	2,322
Bradford City	2,231
Newport City	1,900
Port Vale	1,451
Bolton Wanderers	1,211
Swindon Town	1,000
Kilmarnock	380
Bury	279

### TEAM CAPTAIN.

The Royal and Ancient Club announce that Dr. Wm. Tweddell, the amateur champion of 1927, has been appointed captain of the British team which will compete for the Walker Cup at Chicago in August.

## PLAYER'S DEATH.

### SEQUEL TO ACCIDENT ON THE FIELD.

London, June 16.

Mr. Owen Thorne, the English Rugby player, died last night. His death was announced at Tiptree, Essex.

Mr. Thorne, who was only 22, was kicked in the back while playing for England against France at Paris some time ago. He has been an invalid suffering from spinal trouble ever since. For many months he was in hospital, and it was hoped that he would recover.

A prominent sportsman, he entered into all games, and his charming personality endeared him to a very large circle of friends.

## OLYMPIC BOXERS.

### TO GO INTO TRAINING AT HARLOW.

Arrangements have been made for Great Britain's Olympic boxing team to go into special training at Harlow, in Essex. They will start work there on July 28, and continue light training until they sail for Holland.

The Harlow camp is a favourite spot of the professional champion Johnny Hill.

Sergeant F. P. Crawley, winner of two amateur middle-weight championships, will skipper the team at Amsterdam, and though he will do no actual boxing, his coaching and advice should be of real assistance.

Crawley has obtained leave from his regiment to lend a hand in the training, and other assistance will be rendered by Harry Mallin, Olympic and five times A.B.A. champion; Harry Mitchell, another ex-champion; and the veteran Army boxer, Sergeant Bob Miller.

There is no professional trainer or masseur engaged. It will be noted, which (says "Sporting Life") seems rather a mistake. Mitchell and Mallin will be able to give all the boxing instruction necessary, but an experienced professional trainer like Jack Goodwin or Alec Lambert would appear necessary to ensure the men being put into the ring absolutely fit and strong at their respective weights.

## £80,000 PRIZES.

### STOCK EXCHANGE SWEEP MONEY UNCLAIMED.

Hundreds of thousands of pounds, prizes in the Stock Exchange sweep-stake, were paid out (says the "Daily Mail") to hand from a little office on the second floor of a building in Throgmorton-street, E.C.

Only the stockbrokers who had originally bought the tickets could draw the prizes.

Some of the tickets had changed hands many times. Shortly after midday a member of the firm of Messrs. Webber and Stafford presented the winning ticket, held by Miss Anita Helm, a Barrow-in-Furness typist. A cheque for the full £125,000 was handed over. There was no excitement—it might have been only 125 pennies. Miss Helm sold a quarter-share in the ticket, which was given to her by her employer, Colonel Thompson. She will share more than £94,000 with him.

By 5 o'clock, closing time, only about half of the 440 cheques were claimed. No one had come forward for the £20,000 for Flamingo, or the £20,000 for Black Watch. One of the organisers said to a "Daily Mail" reporter:

It may be several days before they are claimed. I believe there are lots of people who do not realise they have drawn a horse or a consolation prize. It may be weeks before we are clear.

## FALKIRK PLAYER INJURED.

A member of Falkirk football team, John Cowie (25), who resides at 4, Bryson-street, Falkirk, was injured in a motor accident on June 15. He was motor cycling on the road between Eskbank and Newtongrange, and his machine was in collision with a motor car. Cowie was removed to the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, suffering from a compound dislocation of the left wrist and injury to the left thigh.

Bain is the second centre-forward secured from Buckle Thistle by the Raith Rovers. Two years ago the Kirkcaldy club signed Cowie, who, like his successor, was a prolific goal-getter for the northern club.

Five seamen of the steamer "Princeton" who had been suffering from plague have died in Buenos Aires. The authorities have taken measures to isolate the infection.

The International Conference on the Simpon and Orient Express, opened at Constantinople with an examination of ways and means for improving comfort and speed.

## ON MOTHERS.

### AND SOME OF THEIR SUPERSTITIONS.

[By Mrs. Belloc Lowndes.]

Every mother—if I may coin a word which to me is far more significant in all its implication than is Everyman—seems to have always experienced certain terrors, certain hopes, and certain fears, connected with her baby.

To the mind of one who is not ashamed to admit that she, too, is superstitious when the well-being or otherwise of those she loves is in question, there is something significant in the fact that most of these maternal superstitions are to be found not only from generation to generation, but all over the world. Indeed, in the age-long history of folklore there stands out the anxious, always uneasy love of the mother for the child.

Perhaps the most moving saying ever conceived, which, alas! loses something in its translation from the French, was that uttered by the wife of Victor Hugo: "God said to Himself, 'I cannot be everywhere,' so He created the mother."

Often the spiritual tie transcends the physical tie. Many a mother with a son in the war knew when he was in acute danger and became aware of his passing at the time he was killed.

With regard to world-wide superstitions and beliefs, I consider by far the most interesting—though I should not myself care to call it a superstition—is that certain infants have a psychic gift which with most babies disappears as soon as they can speak, but with others lingers on to adolescence. Babies and the domestic animals, including among these the horse, will now and again show conscious delight or the most abject terror at some sight or sound which is invisible or inaudible to the human beings about them. I think that most owners of haunted houses will agree, even if reluctantly, with this statement of mine.

A belief in the supernatural visions of the very young is constantly present in Blake's verse. You find it in "A Cradle Song," and in the lovely last lines of "The Land of Dreams."

"Father, O father! What do we here  
In this land of unbelief and fear?

The land of dreams is better far  
Above the light of the morning star."

The conviction that fairies, both kind and malevolent, are drawn as if by a magnet to a new-born infant is found among the peasants of most parts of Europe. An old Scottish superstition is that a woman is occasionally enticed away when in childbed to nurse a fairy changeling, "a lingering, voracious image being substituted, like the reflection in a mirror."

This belief is immortalised in the beautiful "Lament of the Queen of Elfhland's Nurseries," which tells how a human mother is spirited away to be the nurse of the Queen of Elfhland's child. The bewitched mother entirely forgets her own four-nights-old baby. One day, hearing a cow lowing for its calf, she remembers her baby and implores the Queen to allow her to go home. But the Queen only permits her to return to Christendom after her elfish nursing is able to walk!

A curious superstition, which seems to be world-wide, is the belief that a new-born child must be taken up, rather than down, the first time it is moved. The thought behind this belief is clear. The baby who begins life by being taken down stairs will move downward, while increase of every kind will attend a child whose first movements are upward. So enduring is this belief that a Breton midwife will even now often jump up on a stool or chair with the new-born child in her arms.

Certain widespread superstitions with regard to children have their obvious origin in the fact that it is a human trait to like carrying about some object belonging to a loved one. A great many people, otherwise strong-minded, believe in charms, lucky stones, and mascots. In Catholic countries a baby often wears, from the day of his or her christening, a tiny gold or silver medal which has been blessed by the Pope, or which simply bears the effigy of the child's patron saint.

Even now, many a little British child wears a string of beads night and day, and the breaking of the string is thought to connote some danger to the wearer.

The oldest of all maternal superstitions, and one which is still in being, for a case was quoted only six years ago as having occurred in the East End of London, is that a lock of the hair of a child suffering from "whooping" cough, placed between two pieces of bread and butter, and eaten by a dog will cure the disease. This was once told, as a joke, to a working woman. She duly carried out the prescription, and the dog died.

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and, meeting the person who had told her of this old belief, she thanked him very warmly for having cured her baby!

A number of superstitions connected with children have their root in sound common sense. Such is the Essex belief that one remedy for a child in a decline is to drink the water in which a blacksmith has plunged his red-hot irons. This no doubt arises from the fact that iron is a tonic and that it was early prescribed for every form of debility. A curious example of pure superstition, and one which I reluctantly share, is that to dream of a baby is unlucky. So strongly is this belief impressed on my own brain that, by a strange effect of the mind on the subconscious self, whenever I do dream of a baby, I at once wake up.

It is reported from Guadalajara that a military balloon manned by four officers was caught by a violent squall and carried off in the storm. Eventually it crashed, all four occupants being more or less seriously injured.

At the annual banquet of the Association of Members of the Foreign Press in Rome all the Diplomatic Corps were present and the guests also included Count Capasso Torre di Pastore, chief of the Prime Minister's Press Bureau.

The Argentine Republic and Sweden have come to a convention on the subject of accidents at work.

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# RADIO TOPICS

## RADIO NOTES.

### MOVING COIL LOUD SPEAKERS.

#### THE RICE-KELLOGG ON TEST.

Some time ago I described an American loud-speaker of the moving coil type, and pointed out that there were no complete British instruments available.

Sets of parts have, of course, been marketed for amateurs for many months, but only those accustomed to careful assembly work are successful in building a loud-speaker that works properly.

Many descriptions, too, have been published, but the music lover requiring a first-class loud-speaker for his receiver has had an extremely limited choice. Apparently the patent position is full of difficulties. The British Thomson-Houston Company, who have for a long while marketed the Rice-Kellogg loud-speaker equipment, which comprises a moving coil reproducer and an amplifier with a device to enable the working current to be taken from the household supply of electricity, have at last decided to issue the reproducer only at a price which must be considered reasonable.

The reproducer comprises an electro-magnet, a transformer, and the cone with its coil, assembled and housed in a frame designed for easy mounting in a cabinet or to a baffle board. One of these was recently sent me for test. My examination showed that it was soundly constructed and identical with the units included in the most expensive equipment issued by the company.

#### NEAT AND EFFECTIVE.

The particular model sent me requires a field current of approximately one-tenth of an ampere at 100 volts; the current consumption is therefore less than that of an ordinary electric lamp.

A second model is also issued, but this has a field winding so proportioned that it may be supplied from a 6-volt accumulator. It takes a current of about 1 ampere. The cone itself is of specially prepared paper, having a maximum diameter of about six inches. Attached to the small end of the cone is the coil. This has a relatively small number of turns, as it is designed to be coupled to the last valve of a receiver through a transformer of the stepdown type.

A centering device is used, and is for the purpose of preventing the coil rubbing on the poles of the electro-magnet. It is particularly neat and effective, and operates satisfactorily, even when the volume control connected to the amplifier is turned full on, so causing the sounds to be much greater than could be listened to with comfort.

To produce a satisfactory moving coil loud-speaker is no easy matter. The fundamental principles are understood, but many peculiar effects occur in practice. It is not hard to find the correct winding for the electro-magnet, but it is difficult to determine the most suitable size for the cone itself and the moving coil. It is necessary to employ a cone that is not too heavy, but yet it must be stiff, and not change with atmospheric conditions. If the cone is too large or too small the reproduction will not be as good as when a cone of the correct size is used, and this can only be determined as the result of the most careful and laborious experiments.

#### FAITHFUL REPRODUCTION.

The coil itself is so arranged that it lies in the intense magnetic field produced by the electro-magnet, and the diaphragm or cone to which it is attached is moved as the result of the interaction of this field with the magnetic field created by the currents representing the speech and music which flow through the coil. As a result the air is moved, and we hear speech or music which, according to the design is a more or less faithful copy of the original, as passed to the loud-speaker by the receiver.

A baffle board, which may take the form of a cabinet, should be used with a loud-speaker unit of this type in order to give good reproduction of bass notes.

The board itself should, of course, be so constructed that it does not colour the reproduction in any way. The tone is likely to be affected if the baffle is made of thin wood. Thick wood or ply wood must be used, and the whole assembly be solidly mounted to avoid distortion and noise.

I mounted the unit which I was testing in a cabinet, and connected it through a rectifier to the alternating current mains in order to energise the field magnet.

My first test was made with an ordinary three-valve receiver comprising a detector and two low frequency amplifiers. The last valve was of the power type, and was supplied from a 120-volt high-tension battery. To my surprise, the volume was ample for a small room, and the quality of the reproduction was excellent. There seemed to be faithful reproduction of the treble as well as the bass notes.

By comparison with other first-class makes of loud-speaker the results were vastly superior in every way. Other moving coil loud-speakers that have been tested have been superior to ordinary cone type instruments, but the new loud-speaker makes one realise how the broadcast really is.

#### APPROACH TO PERFECTION.

Having tried it connected to a good, though ordinary, three valve set, I joined it to a carefully-made receiver having a power amplifier, supplied with current from a high tension battery eliminator. The last two valves of this receiver were connected in parallel and supplied with high tension current at 400 volts. The grid bias was over 100 volts.

This receiver is of the type that one would normally use with the best loud-speaker produced, and is, of course, capable of giving much more volume than one normally requires. But its large factor of safety is a necessity when the best possible reproduction is desired.

I have used this instrument and when listening to certain transmissions, have wondered whether it will be possible to get anything that more nearly approaches perfection.

All material broadcast is not perfect, neither is the receiver or the loud-speaker, but it is more nearly perfect than anything I have heard before, and only those accustomed to listening critically would detect any defects.

The ordinary lover of good music would be well satisfied, and the usual listener would think he had perfection. Only those who have used a properly made moving coil reproducing equipment know its superiority over other present day types of loud-speaker.—W. James in "Morning Post."

#### WIRELESS BEACONS FOR SHIPS

The establishment of wireless beacons at different points on every coast, to give bearings to ships within a radius of more than fifty miles has been shown to be practicable. Following experiments recently conducted in the Channel by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

The results of these experiments have been published by the Stationery Office under the title "An Investigation of a Rotating Radio Beacon" (2s. 3d. net).

A wireless beacon, of the rotating loop beacon transmitter type already used by the Air Ministry, was erected at Fort Monckton, near Gosport, and a series of observations carried out with Southern Railway steamships and H.M.S. "Truant."

With Southern Railway steamers sailing between Southampton and Havre and Southampton and Jersey it was found that the bearing given by the wireless beacon was somewhat superior to that obtained from an estimate of the ship's position by dead reckoning.—"Morning Post."

#### SEPARATION FOR "WIRELESS WIDOW."

We pay for progress; neither is any rose without its thorn.

One of the grounds on which a woman based her application to the Tottenham magistrate for a separation was that her husband persistently annoyed her, by tinkering with his wireless set at night.

The Tottenham magistrate granted the application.

Wireless has wrecked a home.

It was a harmless pleasure that this man took in his tinkering, after all. He did so adore the bright bits, the knobs that twisted, the screws that tightened. But his wife was jealous of the wireless set—he did not realise that.

It is possible also that his wife wanted to hear a little of the broadcast programme.

She may have admired the rich, refined tones of the young man who reads the news bulletins.

The husband, however, did not put listening-in in the same class as tinkering (and who shall say he is wrong?)

The tragedy is that he has lost a wife over it, and, especially, some one who will be at hand periodically to praise the results of his tinkering.

That is the cruellest blow.

#### NEW B.B.C. STUDIO.

The B.B.C. has completed the latest addition to the studios at Savoy Hill, bringing the number of studios now in use up to nine. The new studio has been built on the site of a Turkish bath which was a popular resort in pre-war days. It has proved to be best suited for instrumental broadcasts—up to an octet. It will not therefore, be used for speech and even announcements introducing programme items will be made from the observation chamber outside the studio.

#### FOR LIGHTHOUSES.

In view of the deplorable condition of the light at the Tubbataha Reef Lighthouse as found by Governor-General Stimson, and in order that immediate repairs may be made on lighthouses scattered all over the Islands, Fidel A. Reyes, director of the bureau of commerce and industry, is studying the advisability of installing radio apparatus in some lighthouses.

Long before the case of the Tubbataha Lighthouse came up, Director Reyes contemplated installing radio apparatus on lighthouses located in isolated places. This idea, according to him, is deemed proper in view of the lack of government coastguards to make regular inspections.

Director Reyes pointed out that the case of the Tubbataha light demonstrates clearly the urgent need of radio apparatus in lighthouses. The Tubbataha Lighthouse, according to him, is 30 miles away from the nearest inhabited place; it is impossible to know immediately whether the light is working or out.

Special efforts will be exerted by the director to include in the general appropriation for the bureau next year enough money with which to install radio apparatus in some lighthouses. Although he realises the shortage of government funds, Director Reyes said that money must be set aside for the radio apparatus if the lighthouse service is to be improved.

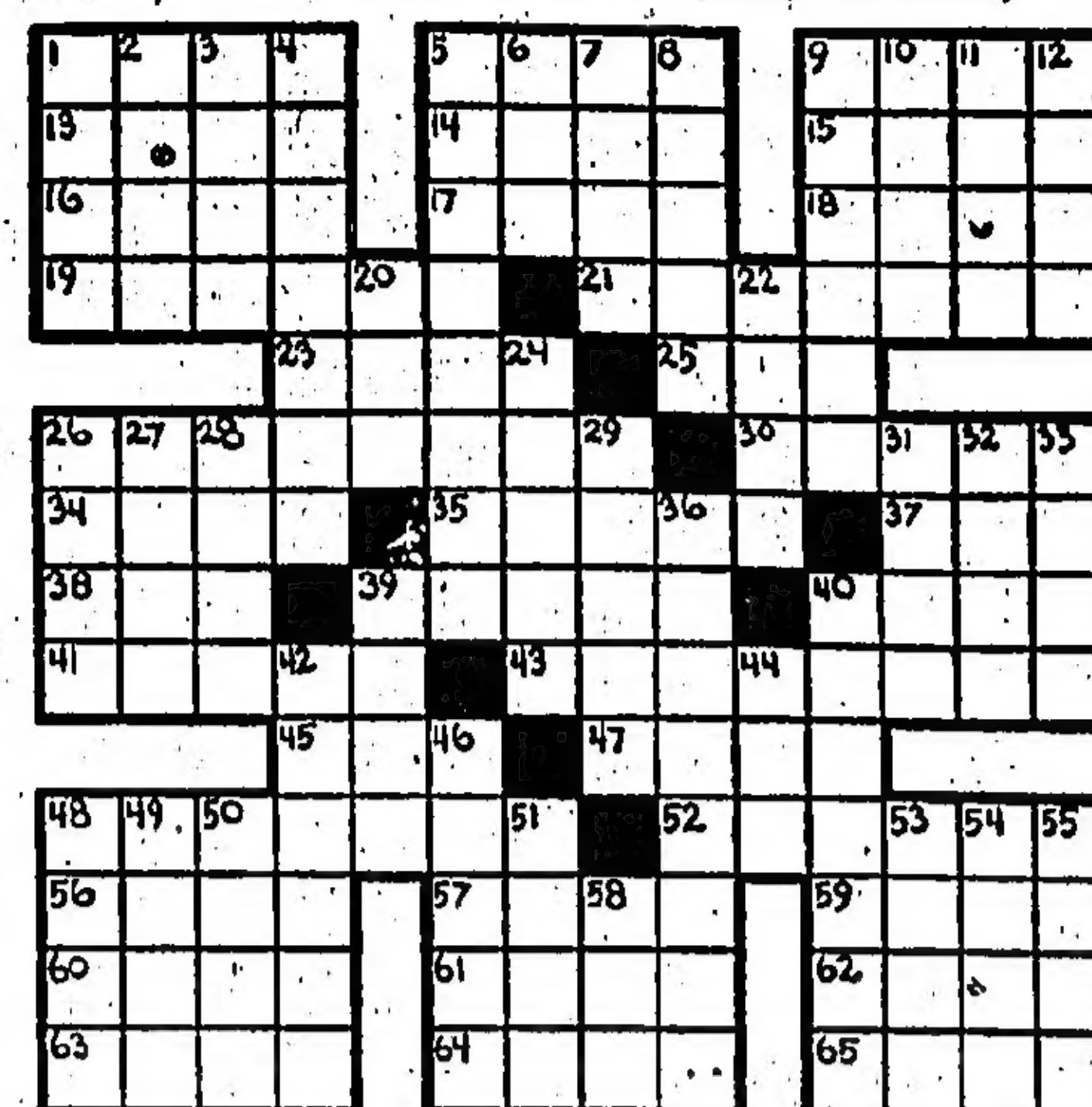
According to plans, radio apparatus will be installed in lighthouses far from inhabited places. This will mean that one will be installed in Caba Island, Tubbataha, Tanguin, Apo Reef, Jintolo, Suluan, Miniguin, Manucan, and Malapascua.

It was estimated at the bureau of commerce that approximately P5,000 will be needed for each radio apparatus of sufficient power to be able to communicate with Manila.

It was expected that Governor-General Stimson would begin his investigation of the Tubbataha Lighthouse upon his arrival. However, up to closing hours, no word was received at the bureau relative to the investigation.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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#### HORIZONTAL

- 1-Naked
- 2-Boast
- 3-Bundin
- 13-A piece for baking
- 14-Destroy
- 15-Enough (post.)
- 16-Close
- 17-Unwrap
- 18-Calamitous
- 19-Mistakes
- 21-Noise
- 22-Else
- 25-Period of time
- 26-Shapers
- 30-Greek letter
- 34-Sing
- 35-Is lame
- 37-Ned
- 38-Tatter
- 39-Up and about
- 40-Polluted
- 41-Choose
- 42-Parts
- 43-Fold
- 47-Biblical character
- 48-Ocean liner

#### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 52-Whirlpool
- 53-A stag
- 57-Young deer
- 58-Inactive
- 59-Otherwise
- 61-Norwegian name
- 62-Bench
- 63-Timid animal
- 64-Man's name
- 65-Brown

#### VERTICAL

- 1-Part of body
- 2-Assert
- 3-Hindmost
- 4-Joins
- 5-European city
- 6-Hurry
- 7-Abate
- 8-Fabled being
- 9-Din
- 10-Dye plant
- 11-Learning
- 12-Pitcher
- 20-A color

#### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 22-God of love
- 24-Stale
- 25-Simple
- 27-Verbal
- 28-Egg on
- 29-Gain
- 31-Black
- 32-A disease
- 33-Shoemaker's tool (pl.)
- 35-Appearance
- 36-Particle
- 40-One versed in feudal law
- 42-Opening of volcano
- 44-Insane
- 45-Put off
- 46-Molt
- 49-Story
- 50-Irish Gaelic
- 51-Underdone
- 53-Conception
- 54-Dash
- 55-Puts
- 58-Accomplish

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

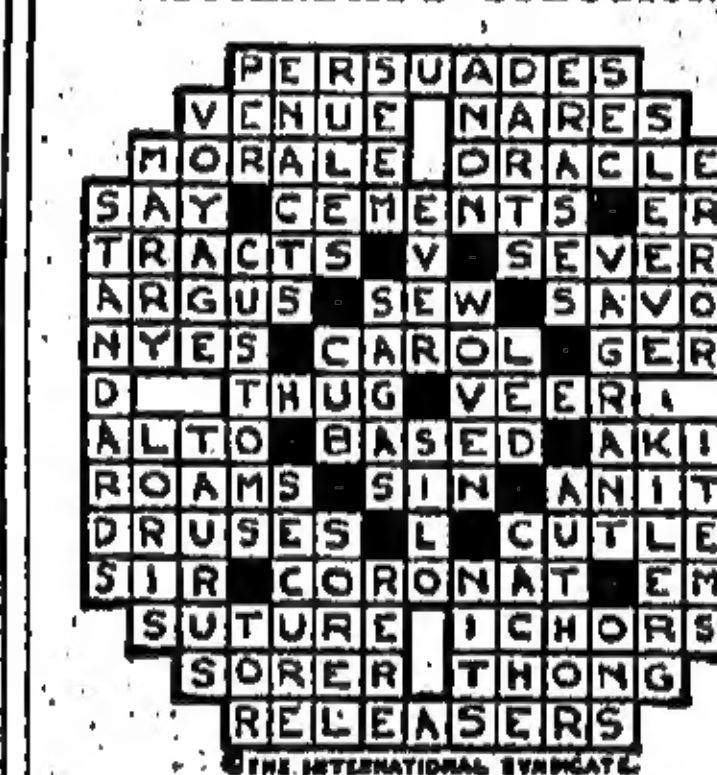
#### HOW BRITISH FILMS ARE MADE.

The European Film Exchange, who are the distributors in this territory of British International Films Ltd., have received a very instructive one-reel film showing how the British International Films are made in the studios, at Elstree, Hertfordshire. The film gives a very good idea of the immense amount of work and organisation required in the production of even a small picture. The huge generations in the power station attached to the studio give current for the high-powered lamps required. In the work-shops, where all the "sets" are made, most up-to-date labour saving machinery is used for joinery, etc., and the store containing the "properties" has everything from a stage-coach to a pin cushion. Several famous producers are shown taking shots for well-known pictures, and Miss Betty Balfour appears in the studio for a fleeting instant.

#### A DIFFICULT PROPOSITION.

The heroes of Hollywood have abolished a good many conventions of time and space but it may be permitted even to the modern world to think that Miss Mary Pickford may be a little impatient in her complaints of the difficulty of finding that "ideal stage hero" with whom she wishes to act the part of the "grown-up lover" for the next few years. Miss Pickford is not one of those people who do not know what they want; perhaps she is rather one of those who want the moon, for here is her own specification of the ideal film lover (male): "The ideal screen hero is one with whom every woman in the audience falls in love, and whom everyman in the audience approves of as the heroine's choice." Only that!

#### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



Perhaps Miss Pickford has not noticed that the type of man with whom "every woman in the audience falls in love" is also the type of man whom every man in the audience generally yearns to kick. No doubt there are film heroines to whom "every man in the audience" would cheerfully consign the most loathsome of lounge lizards, but, since the heroine in this case is to be none other than "The World's Darling" herself it really would be high treason to hope that she will ever find a film lover "whom every man in the audience approves of as her choice."

It was a red-letter day at one of our large schools, and the boys were under examination in "optics." The point under illustration was that, strictly and scientifically speaking, we see not objects, but their images depicted on the retina. The doctor to make the matter plainer, said to one boy in the class:—

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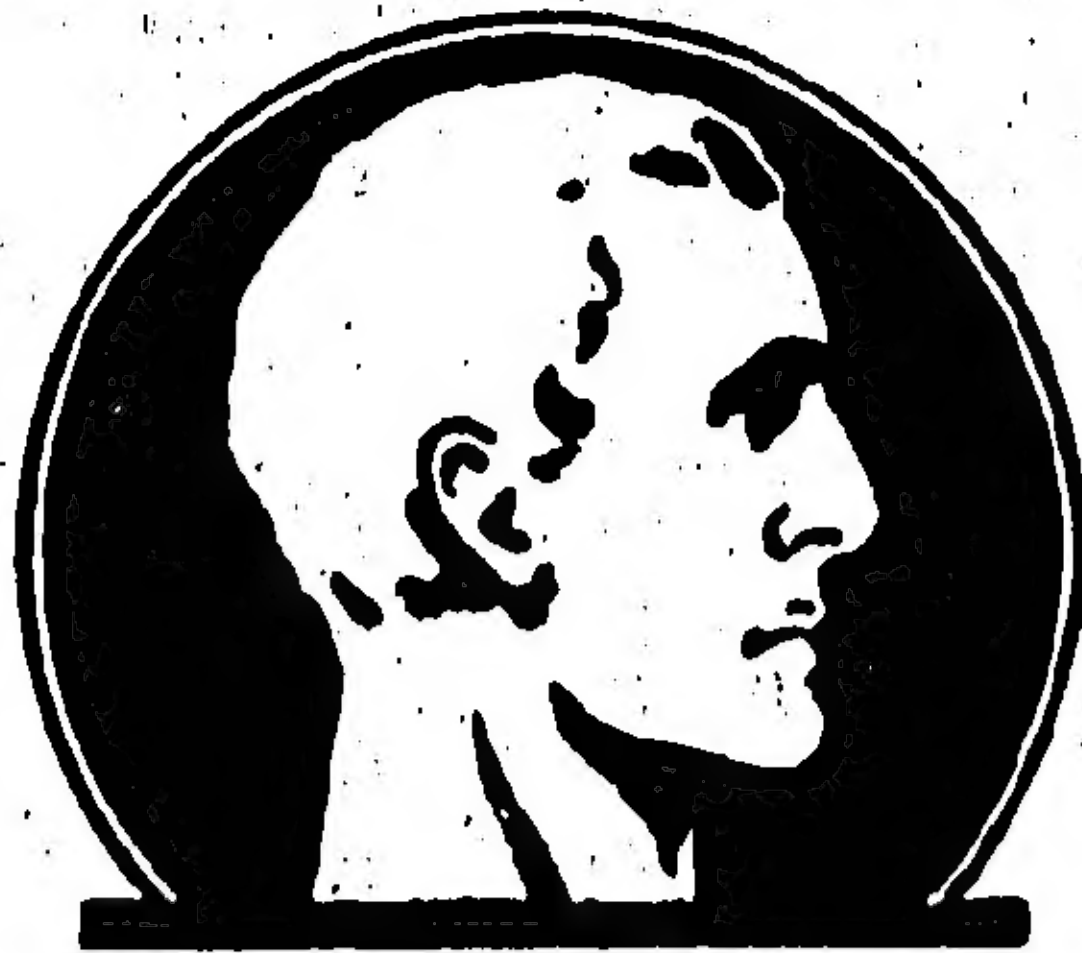
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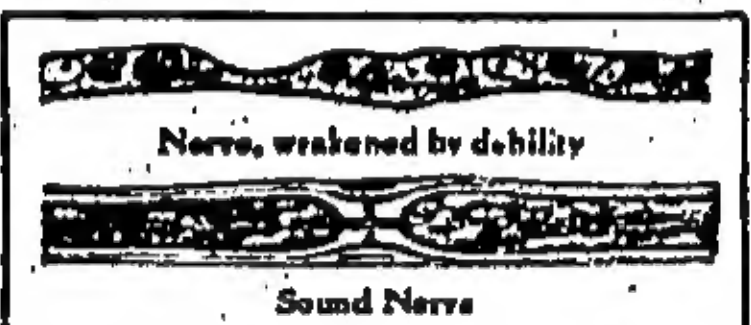
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### WALES'S DEAD.

PRINCE'S TRIBUTE: "WE CAN NEVER FORGET."

#### MEMORIAL UNVEILED.

Cardiff, June 12. Wales to-day came to Cardiff, to greet her Prince, who had come to the city to play the leading part in a solemn act of national homage to her dead.

Thirty-five thousand of the sons and daughters of Wales laid down their lives in the war. To-day their mothers and fathers and widows and children, from every valley and every town of the Principality came here to show that "those valiant hearts" are not forgotten. Their memory is enshrined in one of the most beautiful of the many memorials which have arisen in Great Britain since the war—a temple in honour of the dead, a place of rest and remembrance for the living. The Prince saw it this morning in a wonderful setting.

Through cheering crowds who packed the streets from the station to the City Hall, his Royal Highness, in the uniform of the Welsh Guards, with the deep blue of the Garter ribbon across his scarlet tunic, had driven to Alexandra Gardens, an open space bordered by a noble range of civil buildings. He mounted a platform, whereon were microphones to broadcast his words, and looked out upon an impressive scene.

Rising 36 ft. above its sunken court, austere but beautiful, stood a circular colonnade of white stone in the heart of a multitude of people. From each of its three porches hung a flag, concealing something behind it—the White Ensign, the Union Jack, and the pale blue of the Air Force—and above the first, in the form of a cross, rose the hilt of an upheld sword.

Before each flag stood two men of the service it represented—heads bowed and arms reversed. The flanks were held by the warriors of to-day—and yesterday.

Welshmen from the Royal Navy, the Royal Marines, the Army, and the Royal Air Force—the warriors of to-day—stood behind the King's Colours of the Navy and the Guards and the standards of the regiments of Wales; opposite were posted the contemporaries of the 35,000—the men of France and Flanders, Suva Bay and Salonika, mustered in muff beneath the British Legion's blue and gold. In front of this national guard of honour sat the widows and the mothers, a silent company 2,000 strong, yet hardly more pathetic than the little group of men who faced them in "hospital blue," some of whom limped on crutches.

At the Prince's touch the three flags on the colonnade fell, and their secret stood revealed—a sailor, a soldier, and an airman, their bronze arms holding a wreath aloft towards the winged central figure of Victory. It was Victory whose sword-hilt made the sign of the Cross, above the words, "In hoc signo vinces." Even as the flags fell and there rang out the first notes of the gunners' "Last Post," there came the sound of falling water; for the Prince's touch had released the fountains that will play in that hall of memory.

The minute's silence that followed was a wonderful tribute; and while it lasted the King's Colours and the standards of the Old Guard and the New dropped in sympathy with the half-masted flags on the roofs of the public buildings. Then came "Reveille." The stooping guardians of the porches joined the guards of honour in the salute; and the Red Dragon of Wales flew free, with the Union Jack, from the mast-heads.

#### THE PRINCE'S SPEECH.

The intense nationalism of the Welsh was reflected in the character of the dedicatory service. Welsh, as well as English, was employed in hymns and prayers; and the Prince of Wales himself used the language of his people in the closing sentence of his brief speech. He said:

"I can assure you that I consider it a very great privilege to have been asked to unveil this national memorial in the presence of such a great gathering, amongst whom are so many ex-Service men. To do justice to the exploits of our countrymen in the fierce glare of the battlefield would be a hard task, and one to perform which I am not equal to-day.

During the years that have elapsed their valour has been recorded on many a page of history, and Wales can never forget.

"We are here to pay tribute to the undying memory of those sons and daughters of Wales who, at the stern call of duty, streamed forth from city and from remote village, from sheltered valleys and from mines to be tried as gold in the furnace and to give their lives for the land they loved, that we still sing to-day as the home of the free."

"Yn anghof ni chânt fod tra awel ar ei draethaw hi." ("They shall not be forgotten while the breeze blows on her shores.")

The Archbishop of Wales had dedicated the memorial, the Bishop of Llandaff had prayed, and the Lord Mayor of Cardiff (Alderman A. J. Howell) had accepted the custody of the colonnade at the request of Sir Cecil Harcourt-Smith, when two Welsh V.C.'s bore their country's Roll of Honour to the Prince. It was a large book, for it contained 35,000 names inscribed on vellum—names which hereafter will live for ever in the Welsh National Museum, with the signature of the Prince to keep them company. His Royal Highness, refusing a fountain pen, signed with a quill. He shook hands with the bearers of the Roll—C.S.M. John Williams, V.C. (late South Wales Borderers), and Sergeant W. Fuller, V.C. (late the Welch Regiment), and expressed his regret that they should have had to sustain its weight through such a length of oratory.

#### "AN IMMORTAL APPEAL"

Lord Aberdare president of the National Museum of Wales, at the request of Mr. Lloyd George, accepted the custody of the book, which, he said, would be cared for by ex-Service men. The Roll, said Mr. Lloyd George, would constitute an addition to the many title deeds that the people of Wales possessed to claim rank among the nations that had never shirked great call because it involved a great sacrifice. For ever its story would be an imperishable answer to the detractors of Wales and an immortal appeal to her children.

The singing of "Land of my Fathers," accompanied by the band of the Welsh Guards—who found the principal guard of honour—brought the impressive service to a close. Then the Prince, on behalf of the King, laid at the base of the memorial a wreath, which was quickly joined by others from the Navy, the Army, the Air Force, the British Legion, and the people of Wales. This last was borne by Mr. G. F. Forsdike, chairman of the Memorial Committee, who presided.

The Prince spent some time with the ex-Service men on parade, and then adjourned for luncheon with the Lord Mayor at the City Hall. Included in the company were four men—a boy—who wore the Victoria Cross. The boy, the son of the late Corporal Davies, Welsh Fusiliers, received the token of his dead father's valour from the King's own hand.

Among the many who were presented to the Prince were the architect of the memorial (Mr. J. N. Comper), the sculptor (Mr. A. B. Pegram), the contractor (Mr. J. E. Turner) and the writer of the Welsh War Memorial Book (Mr. Grailly Hewitt).

According to figures published by the Tass Agency Soviet exports to European countries during the month of April totalled 45,000,000 roubles, which is a decrease of 5,000,000 roubles compared with the figures for March. Imports totalled 60,000,000 roubles in April, a decrease of 11,000,000.



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### LIBERIA.

A QUEER LAND OF LIBERTY.

#### CURIOUS DOINGS AFOOT.

[By Mr. H. Wilson Harris.]

Some curious doings seem to be afoot in Liberia. But then Liberia is a curious place altogether. It differs from every piece of territory on the African Continent, except Abyssinia, in being completely and absolutely independent and free from all entanglements with European Powers. (Even the Union of South Africa can hardly say that.)

But if Liberia is free of entanglements with European Powers she is by no means free of them with America. This is another curious thing about her. It all comes of the country's curious origin. Rather more than a century ago some philanthropic spirits in the United States thought the slavery problem there (this was 40 years and more before Lincoln's emancipation proclamation) could be at least partially solved by transporting individual free slaves to the country of their ancestors and settling them there. Accordingly the American Colonisation Society was formed and the first detachment of pioneers was shot ashore on the West African coast in the year 1821.

#### LIBERTY LAND.

The settlement was christened Liberia—Liberty Land—for obvious reasons. Its capital, Monrovia, was so styled in honour of the American President of the day, who thus gave his name to a town as well as a doctrine. As a political experiment Liberia has never been a great success. The American importees and the natives blended badly. The former, though to-day their descendants number only about 20,000 as against 2,000,000 natives, have always run the country, and do still. But American influence goes further than that. The Liberian police force is trained and commanded by American officers, America lends Liberia money when required, there is an American adviser to supervise the country's finances, the national accounts are kept in American dollars and cents.

All this is very interesting and a good deal more might be said about it. But the latest development of importance is the penetration of Liberia by American capital on a new and extensive scale. The capitalist mainly concerned is Mr. Harvey Firestone, whose motor tyres represent in the United States what Dunlops do in England or Michelins in France. Mr. Firestone needs rubber for his tyres, and when the British Colonial Office devised its restriction scheme to regulate supply and stabilise prices, the American tyre king decided to grow his raw material himself in Liberia and secured a concession of a million acres for the purpose.

The results of this stroke of business have just been investigated by one of Mr. Firestone's own countrymen—which is perhaps just as well. Mr. Raymond Leslie Buell is Research Director of the American Foreign Policy Association, a body distinguished by the accuracy and impartiality of its reports on many international problems. Mr. Buell, who was formerly an assistant professor at Harvard, has just visited different parts of Africa, including Liberia.

#### CONFISCATION.

What Mr. Buell has to say about Liberia under rubber is briefly this, that the Firestone concession means confiscation of native land and forced enrolment of native labour; that an official Labour Bureau supplies Mr. Firestone with his workers at a wage of one cent a day (another authority, it is fair to say, gives the sum as a shilling); that an American loan was pressed on Liberia in the course of the concession negotiations, the amount being five million dollars (£1,000,000) and the rate 7 per cent, the most remarkable fact about the deal—if fact it really is—being that the purpose of the loan is to provide for the refunding of an earlier (1912) loan on which the interest was only 5 per cent, and which expired in 1942, whereas this one will run to 1967.

Bernard, like most other small boys of his age, generally found himself in trouble of some kind. Finding that words had but little effect upon his off-spring, the father resorted to sterner measures. A neighbour, watching him chastise the boy, noticed with admiration that Bernard gave no outward indication of the pain he was suffering.

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## A BY-ELECTION RESULT.

### A "SAFE SEAT."

GOVERNMENT RETAIN THE CONSTITUENCY.

EASY CONSERVATIVE WIN.

London, Yesterday.

The result of the by-election at Hallam (Sheffield) owing to Major General Sir Frederick Sykes' appointment as Governor of Bombay is as follows.

Mr. Smith (Cons.) 9417.  
Mr. Flynn (Labour) 5393.  
Mr. Hobman (Liberal) 2715.

## SPANISH OIL.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE MONOPOLY.

New York, Yesterday.

The Panama Petroleum and Transport Company and Atlantic Refining Company are reported to be negotiating for the management of the Spanish oil monopoly on a long term contract to supply refined oils to the Spanish market.—Reuter.

## "WATER BUFFALOES."

WHAT SOME OF "EMBLEMS" WERE LIKE.

SEEN AT THE EXHIBITION.

Lions which looked more like water buffaloes than anything else predominated in the designs submitted in the Tattoo Emblem competition, the result of which was announced last Saturday.

Long before the opening hour of to-day's exhibition of the designs, a number were at the Cheer O' Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. at the City Hall to see the "hanging." Views expressed are too diversified to be repeated. Yet they were a reflex of the individual making them.

For the purpose for which it is required, there is not the slightest doubt that Mr. Pun U-ying's tiger couchant on a red triangle is the most outstanding and the best adaptable for a two-coloured block.

### Few Original Ideas.

Most of the designs were executed in black and white, a few very faintly in pencil—so faintly that they could never be made into a block for reproduction—and some in colour.

Original ideas were not too numerous. The lion, emblems of the Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force, Britannia, a Crown, a bull dog, a map of Hong Kong or the Peak as seen from the harbour, and the Union Jack were the most common features.

One competitor sent in a map of Hong Kong with the flame of the torch blazing across the island and ending where Happy Valley is supposed to be. Another drew a map of the world with the British Empire painted red, superimposed by one of the stereotype designs.

### Lack of Accuracy.

Mrs. H. V. Koop sent in cleverly executed designs which were not so forcible as that of the winner. Mr. K. S. Leung based his idea on Hong Kong and turned out capable and bold drawings. Mr. G. W. Arnold went in for variety as did Mr. M. A. Baptista whose forte was good drawing.

A strange part in the exhibits is the glaring lack of accuracy in depicting Servicemen in uniform—either ancient or modern—and either on duty or standing at ease. The pouches in an infantryman's bandolier were smaller than his tunic buttons but, fortunately, the idea of his standing guard by the Union Jack and the size of the picture found it a place on the board.

The exhibition remains open till 6 p.m. to-day. Admission is free.

## ARCTIC SEARCHERS.

RUSSIAN AVIATOR AND COMPANIONS PICKED UP.

Moscow Yesterday.  
The "Krasin" picked up Chukovsky and his four companions at 10 o'clock last night.—Reuter.

## NO BOOKIES FOR SHANGHAI.

### DOG RACING.

KEEPING OUT THE UNDESIRABLE ELEMENT.

ONLY PARI-MUTUEL.

Shanghai, July 13.

Since the inauguration of greyhound racing in Shanghai the question has come up whether it would not make the sport more interesting if, in addition to the pari-mutuel, bookies were permitted to function. It is well-known, of course, that quite a number of private individuals are in the habit of making books among their circle of acquaintances not only for greyhound but for all other forms of racing, but this naturally does not affect the issue. The point really comes down to whether the introduction of the professional bookie would be advantageous or otherwise to Shanghai. In this connection the decision taken by the authorities of Luna Park is of very great importance.

We understand that at a committee meeting held this week the matter was discussed, and the decision arrived at was that the only betting at Luna Park should be through the pari-mutuel.

### Covetous Eyes.

It is understood that bookies in other parts of the world have been casting covetous eyes towards Shanghai as a field for their activities, and that, were there the semblance of a chance to do business, numbers would lose no time in making their way here. The danger always attendant upon the introduction of a new feature such as this is that among the number would probably be a proportion of the undesirable element. One can imagine what the effect would be should it happen that crooked work was discovered proceeding in the enclosures of any of the racing clubs here, and as it would be impossible in the first instance to discriminate between the respectable bookies and those of the other variety, it is better that no risk at all should be run, for once anything of the kind we have hinted at occurred, the damage done would be irreparable, not only to racing but to the reputation of the whole foreign community.

In the circumstances bookies will not be allowed by the Greyhound Racing Club, which ruling will probably appeal to the majority as being very sound.—"N. C. D. N."

## CANCER CAMPAIGN.

LARGE NUMBER OF DELEGATES RECEIVED BY KING.

"CAUSES AND CURE."

London, Yesterday.

H. M. the King received 120 delegates representing the 22 countries who have sent representatives to the British Empire Cancer Campaign Conference, which is being held in London.

Replying to the address of the President, Sir John Bland Sutton, His Majesty said he noted particularly that the object of the campaign was research into both the cure and causes of cancer. Doubtless in the last resort the discovery of the cause was the only certain and absolute means of cure, but His Majesty was glad that the practical side of the problem had not been ignored. If the discussions resulted in the advance of diagnosis and treatment, or even in the palliation of the disease, the Conference, in the view of thousands of sufferers, would have justified itself.—Reuter.

## TRAIN DISASTER.

TWO GERMAN EXPRESSES COLLIDE NEAR MUNICH.

TRAIN DEMOLISHED.

Munich, Yesterday.

At least 30 have been killed, and 25 injured in a collision between two expresses. The carriages burst into flames and some of the bodies are unrecognisable.

The disaster was caused by a passenger pulling the communication cord. This stopped the Nuremberg express outside the station at Munich, and a second train, which left the station a few minutes afterwards, crashed into the stationary express.—Reuter.

## VIOLENT 'QUAKE IN SMYRNA.

### LASTS 20 SECONDS.

BUILDINGS DAMAGED: SEVERAL PERSONS INJURED.

GOVERNOR'S FAMILY.

Constantinople, Yesterday.

A violent earthquake of 20 seconds' duration occurred in Smyrna yesterday. Many buildings are damaged and several persons injured, including the wife and child of the Governor.—Reuter.

## TO AUSTRALIA.

GREAT WELCOME TO BIRTLES, THE MOTORIST.

16,000 MILES JOURNEY.

Sydney, Yesterday.

Francis Birtles was enthusiastically welcomed when he arrived here, having motored from London. On his journey he broke all long distance records. Leaving London on October 19, he has since travelled 16,000 miles by land and 500 by sea.—Reuter.

## AN ADDICT.

UNEMPLOYED EUROPEAN GOES TO JAIL.

Patrick Joseph McKay (43), unemployed and described as a native of county Cork, Ireland, was this morning charged before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., on three counts as follows:—(1) larceny of a fork and a spoon worth \$4 from St. Paul's Hospital, Causeway Bay; (2) making false entry in the register of the Hong Kong Hotel; and (3) making false entry in the register of the Palace Hotel.

Accused admitted all three charges.

Sub-Inspector Elston said that accused had passed himself off as a Surgeon-Lieutenant in the British Navy in one hotel and as a medical officer of the U.S. Navy in another. He ran up bills at both the Hong Kong and Palace Hotels, which he was unable to settle. On July 11 he went to the St. Paul's Hospital where he stopped two days and left without paying the bill. When he was arrested at the Sailors' Home and his effects were searched, the fork and spoon belonging to the hospital and other articles to which the accused had no right were discovered.

Accused told the Magistrate that he had been taking morphia for 20 years and that accounted for his present condition. He also said that he had served during the War in Mesopotamia, Italy and France.

Inspector Elston said that he understood that accused was in receipt of a pension from Home and he did not know what effect a conviction would have on it.

The Magistrate imposed fines of \$25 or four weeks' jail on each charge.

McKay did not have the money to pay the fines and went to jail for 12 weeks.

## AN OBSTRUCTION.

MOTOR DRIVER WHO "LOOK-ED FOR A FARE."

At the Central Magistracy, before Mr. C. Willson this morning, the driver of public motor car No. 499 was charged with causing an obstruction at Repulse Bay.

According to the prosecution, Mr. G. F. Haslam, manager of Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. was driving with Mr. W. R. Scott, A.S.P., along the road at Repulse Bay, when they were obstructed by the defendant's car, which was placed at the middle of the road and unattended.

His Worship asked Mr. Haslam how long it took him to find the defendant.

Mr. Haslam: It took me two or three minutes and he was in the underground.

The defendant's version that he was away to look for a fare, did not satisfy the Magistrate. Furthermore, his record showed that he had a few previous convictions. A fine of \$12 was imposed.

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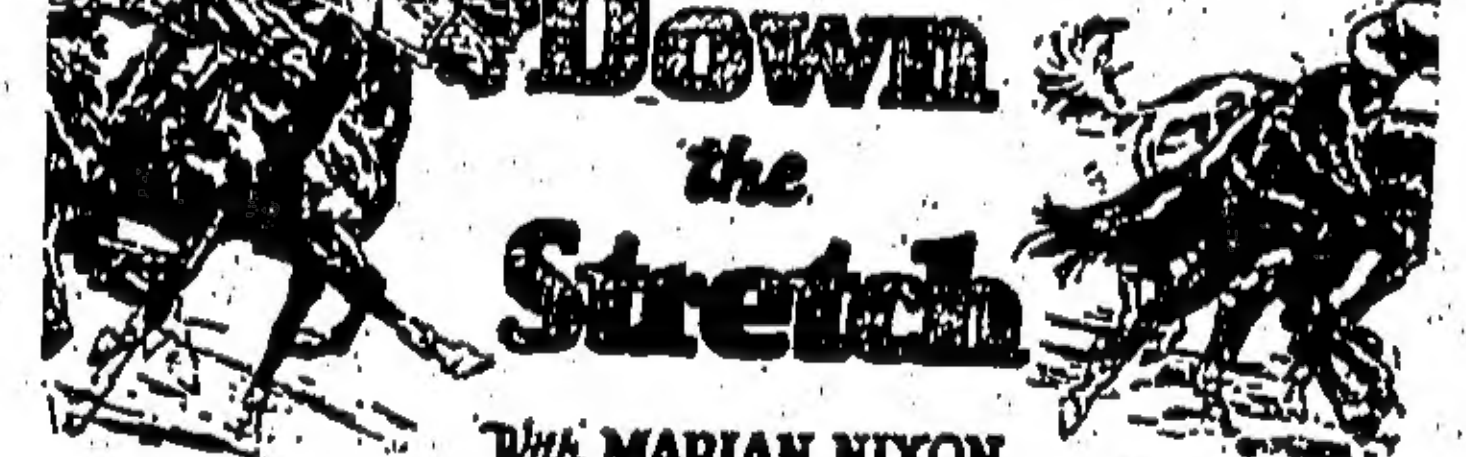
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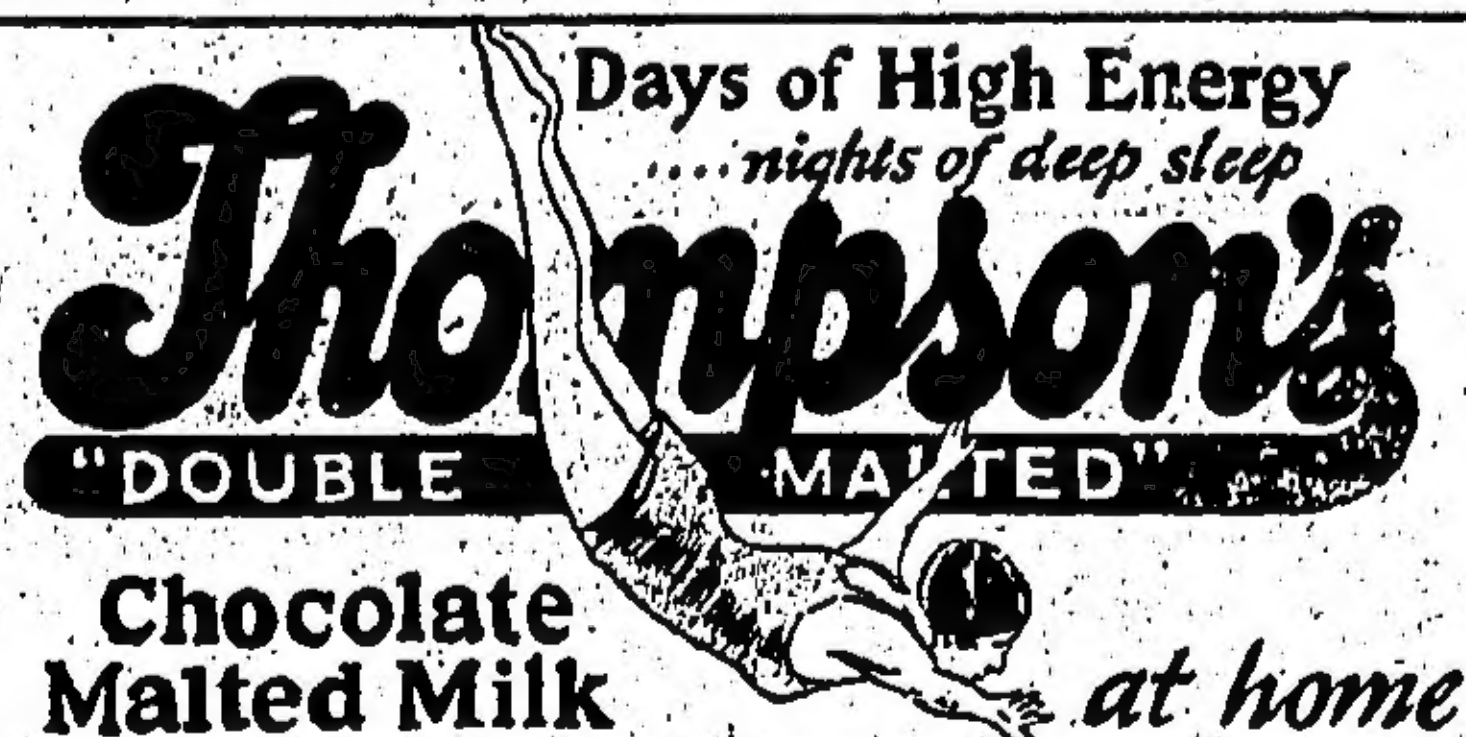
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